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for the town of
FRANCESTOWN
New Hampshire

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Annual Report
of the
Town Officers
of
Francestown, New Hampshire
For the Year Ending
December 31, 2003

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FRANCESTOWN TOWN OFFICERS
MODERATOR

Paul H. Lawrence	Term Expires 2005
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SELECTMEN

Paul A. St. Cyr	Term Expires 2004
“Steve” Brown	Term Expires 2005
Stephen Griffin	Term Expires 2006

TOWN TREASURER

Karen M. Mayo, Resigned	Term Expires 2005
Ronald Reimer, Appointed	Term Expires 2004

TOWN CLERK

Elaine T. McClary	Term Expires 2005
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TAX COLLECTOR

Elaine T. McClary	Term Expires 2005
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LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Constance C. Varnum	Term Expires 2004
Elizabeth Wiederhold, Appointed	Term Expires 2004
Mary Frances Carey	Term Expires 2005
Alternate Appointed by Library Trustees:	
T. Fletcher Taft	Term Expires 2004

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Louis Wiederhold	Term Expires 2004
Herbert Fincher, Resigned	Term Expires 2005
Charles O’Neill, Appointed	Term Expires 2005
David Avery	Term Expires 2006

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR

Barbara J. Carbee	Term Expires 2004
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SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST

Helen Johnston	Term Expires 2004
Bernice E. Miller, Chair	Term Expires 2006
Carol Ireland	Term Expires 2008

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Ethel MacStubbs	Term Expires 2004
Elizabeth Wiederhold - Appointed	Term Expires 2005
Linda Kelly	Term Expires 2006

FIRE WARDS

Donald C. Abbott	Term Expires 2004
Brian Delahanty	Term Expires 2004

David Kullgren	Term Expires 2004
Richard F. Leavitt	Term Expires 2004
Alvin L. VanCleave	Term Expires 2004

PLANNING BOARD

Robert Lindgren	Term Expires 2004
Paul A. St. Cyr, Ex-officio	Term Expires 2004
Benjamin Watson	Term Expires 2004
William McAuley	Term Expires 2005
Sarah Hibbard Pyle, Chair	Term Expires 2005
Lisa Stewart	Term Expires 2006
Peter Zahn	Term Expires 2006

Alternates Appointed by Planning Board

Catherine Eby	Term Expires 2004
Robin Samuelson, Resigned	Term Expires 2005
Lawrence W. Johnson	Term Expires 2006

CONVAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS:

Peter Hopkins, Moderator	Term Expires 2006
"Andy Paul, School Board Member	Term Expires 2005

APPOINTMENTS by Selectmen:

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Carol Ireland	Term Expires 2004
Joszeff Nemeth	Term Expires 2005
Charles Pyle, Chair	Term Expires 2005
Sue Jonas	Term Expires 2006
Guy A. Swenson, Jr.	Term Expires 2006

Alternates:

David M. Stewart	Term Expires 2004
Lois Leavitt	Term Expires 2005
Abigail Arnold	Term Expires 2006

WASTE DISPOSAL COMMISSION

Gary L. Collins, Chairman	Term Expires 2004
Scott S. Carbee	Term Expires 2005
Raymond Fauchon	Term Expires 2006

BUDGET & ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Michael J. Petrovick	Term Expires 2004
Charles Pyle	Term Expires 2004
Charles O'Neill	Term Expires 2005
Michael J. Ricci	Term Expires 2006
Nicholas F. Wilder	Term Expires 2006

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Betsy Hardwick, Chair	Term Expires 2004
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Lawrence P. Kullgren	Term Expires 2004
Barbara J. Carbee	Term Expires 2005
Robert C. Lindgren	Term Expires 2005
Don Shuffleton	Term Expires 2005
Don Crooker	Term Expires 2006
Christopher K. Danforth	Term Expires 2006
Alternates:	
James Nealand	Term Expires 2004
Polly Freese	Term Expires 2005

BOARD OF HIGHWAY SAFETY

Scott S. Carbee	Term Expires 2004
Paul V. Ellis, Chairman	Term Expires 2004
Betsy Hardwick	Term Expires 2004
Lawrence W. Johnson	Term Expires 2004

RECREATION COMMISSION

Andrej Kokal	Term Expires 2004
Robert Rokes	Term Expires 2004
Kris Stewart	Term Expires 2006
Alternates:	
Stephanie Kokal	Term Expires 2004
Lisa J. Stewart	Term Expires 2006

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Lori J. Ricci

DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER

Randall S. Wheeler

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Kathi Kendall

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Kathi Kendall

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Thomas J. Plourde

BUILDING & SITE INSPECTOR

Joseph Ludwig

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Donald C. Abbott

HEALTH OFFICER

Louis Wiederhold, MD

POLICE OFFICERS

Phillip J. Woodbury, Chief
Thomas J. Thibeault, Sergeant
Kevin F. Valenti, Officer
Stephen P. Bell, Officer
Glen B. Huff, Officer
Alexandra Roxana Cristea, Officer

DIRECTOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Paul A. St. Cyr

HISTORIAN

Kris Holmes

BALLOT CLERKS

Barbara J. Carbee, Shirley Jones, Sarah Hibbard Pyle, Dolores Sanchioni, Karen Anne St. Cyr, Mary Tempone, Joan VanCleave

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

Jarvis Adams IV
Lori O'Brien

STATE SENATOR

Robert B. Flanders

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Francestown, in said County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the “Red School” in said Francestown on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on Article 1 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on said date at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 7:00 o’clock in the evening.

Article 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
(By Official Ballot)

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you are hereby notified the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, the Thirteenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, at which time the town will act on the following subjects.

Article 2.

To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

Article 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$277,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$50,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	50,000.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	17,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	0.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	7,000 .00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	35,000.00
Future Town Road Improvements	100,000.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	8,000.00
Future Library Building	10,000.00

or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to purchase and install 2 air conditioning units in the administrative offices of the Town Office Building (Red School), such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200.00) to replace the front steps of the Town Office, (Red School) building with Granite, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to replace and repair the roof on the Fracestown Fire Station, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand, Three Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$16,345.00) to purchase a 20 kilowatt portable Caterpillar Diesel Generator for emergency stand-by service, such sum to be raised by accepting Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars and Seventy Five Cents, \$12,258.75 (75% of the cost) from a FEMA grant and Four Thousand Eighty Six Dollars and Twenty Five Cents (\$4,086.25) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to continue the reconstruction in a northerly direction on 2nd NH Turnpike South from slightly south of the driveway entrance to Fracestown Sand & Gravel for a distance of approximately one mile, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Future Town Road Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) to replace the existing salt shed with a 40 x 60 pole barn with an asphalt base, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to repair outside chimneys, remove center chimney and point bricks on the rear of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will authorize the utilization of town property, Map 13, Lot 20, for library purposes, more specifically for expansion of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library. The funds will be available, and the building design will be approved by the Town before any construction commences, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to obtain digital format tax maps to be used in developing a GIS data base including a natural resource protection, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36-A-5, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to add 198.9 acres +/- (Tax Map 4, Lots 4 & 16) located on Crotched Mountain to the adjacent and existing Town Forest and to designate 58 acres +/- (Tax Map 8, Lot 84) located on Pleasant Pond Road with frontage on Shattuck Pond as a Town Forest as allowed by RSA 31:110 and allowing these properties to be managed by the Francestown Conservation Commission under the provisions of RSA 31:112, II, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to upgrade and repair lawns, prune trees and repair monuments within Francestown's cemeteries, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 16.

To see if the Town will vote to create a revocable General Cemetery Maintenance Trust in accordance with RSA 31:19-a to be funded by tax revenues and proceeds from the sale of cemetery plots, with Cemetery Trustees as agents to expend, for the purpose of maintenance, improvement, and expansion of cemeteries, and the acquisition of equipment related thereto: and from which the principal may be expended only with approval of Town Meeting; and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to fund this General Cemetery Maintenance Trust, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 17.

To see if the Town will concur with the Cemetery Trustee's vision, proposing to replace the chain link fence along the Francestown Turnpike at the front of Cemetery #3 with a "farm wall", approximately 2 feet wide, 3 feet tall, harmonizing with the existing stone walls within cemetery #3 and similar to the restored wall along the Francestown Turnpike, at the front of this cemetery's new section, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 18.

To see if the Town will vote to create a Recreation Revolving Fund in accordance with RSA 35-B:2, II and to name the Recreation Commission as agents of said fund as outlined in RSA 35-B:2, II. All revenue from fees and charges for recreational services or facilities shall be deposited into a Recreation Revolving Fund. If a Recreation Revolving Fund is created, the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year and shall not be considered part of the political subdivisions general surplus. The Treasurer of the Town shall have custody of all moneys in such fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Recreation Commission. These funds may be expended only for the purpose of conducting recreation activities and providing the facilities for these programs and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of, or create a liability upon other Town Funds, which have not been appropriated to that purpose. After creation of such a Recreational Fund, the monies in such fund shall not need further town meeting approval to be expended, or take any other action relating thereto;

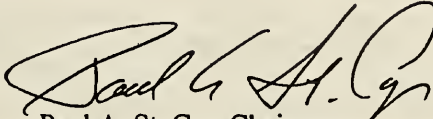
Article 19.

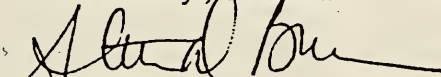
To see if the Town will vote to sell a 1.2 acre lot on Mountain Road, identified as Map 7 Lot 9. Lot has well house and well that provides water (deeded) to Map 7 Lot 12, or take any other action relating thereto;

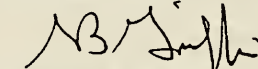
Article 20.

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting;

Given under our hands and seal this 9th day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand four.

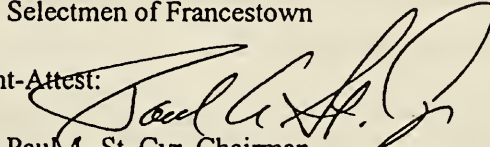

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman

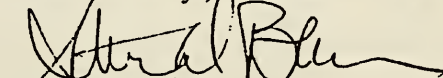

Steve D. Brown

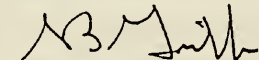

Stephen B. Griffin

Selectmen of Francestown

A true copy of Warrant-Attest:


Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman


Steve D. Brown


Stephen B. Griffin

Selectmen of Francestown

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: FRANCESTOWN

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) February 11, 2004.

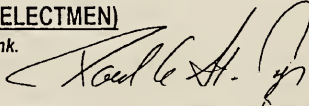
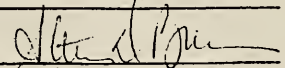
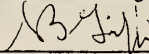
GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman

Steve D. Brown

Stephen B. Griffin

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		48974	38581	45243	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		29500	33023	33672	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		29037	24547	32180	
4152	Revaluation of Property		5050	3519	11150	
4153	Legal Expense		7500	7633	8500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		105238	94057	110305	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		18473	6482	16693	
4194	General Government Buildings		34709	30567	35360	
4195	Cemeteries		18333	14244	11850	
4196	Insurance		30000	20404	18145	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		1050	983	1077	
4199	Other General Government		0	0	0	
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		111864	90585	141202	
4215-4219	Ambulance		1000	0	1000	
4220-4229	Fire		35150	35417	41592	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		2000	2355	2100	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		800	201	550	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)		0	0	0	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations		0	0	0	
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		69000	77350	67300	
4312	Highways & Streets		232385	241414	238688	
4313	Bridges		10000	6003	10000	
4316	Street Lighting		3500	3312	3500	
4319	Other - RESEAL/PATCH		63000	61309	66000	
4319	Other - GRAVEL		20000	22434	20000	
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		0	0	0	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		0	0	0	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		136519	129736	145078	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		0	0	0	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		2300	4208	3200	

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration		0	0	0	
4332	Water Services		0	0	0	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other		0	0	0	
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation		0	0	0	
4353	Purchase Costs		0	0	0	
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		0	0	0	
4359	Other Electric Costs		0	0	0	
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		0	0	0	
4414	Pest Control		0	0	0	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		3511	3510	3533	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		10525	7171	8171	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts		0	0	0	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		0	0	0	
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		30375	30231	32350	
4550-4559	Library		54685	55516	58643	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		0	0	0	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		0	0	0	
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		1700	1317	1425	
4619	Other Conservation		0	0	0	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING		0	0	0	
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		0	0	0	
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		0	0	0	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		0	0	0	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		2500	0	1000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		0	0	0	

Total Operating Budget

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land	13	70000	70000	40000	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	5,9,11,12	57973	49773	16345	
4903	Buildings	6	275000	269309	130200	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.	7,8,20,21	75000	55010	120000	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		0	0	0	
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		0	0	0	
4914	To Enterprise Fund		0	0	0	
	Sewer-		0	0	0	
	Water-		0	0	0	
	Electric-		0	0	0	
	Airport-		0	0	0	
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		80500	80500	277500	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917		0	0	1	
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds		0	0	0	
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds		0	0	0	
4919	To Agency Funds		0	0	0	
SUBTOTAL 1			1677151	1570701	1,753,553	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct #:	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount
4901	13	40000	4903	10	6000
4902	7	16345	4909	8	100000
4903	4	9000		12	5000
	5	5200		15	15000
	6	25000	4916	16	1.00
	9	85000			

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		3000	24554	3000
3180	Resident Taxes		0	0	0
3185	Timber Taxes		10000	27027	15000
3186	Payment In Lieu of Taxes		0	0	0
3189	Other Taxes		25000	0	0
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		0	45326	25000
	Inventory Penalties		0	0	0
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		100	325	200
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		190000	0	0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1000	260092	200000
3230	Building Permits		7000	2950	2500
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		0	4284	2000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		0	24614	12258.75
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		20000	21333	20000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		35000	45482	40000
3353	Highway Block Grant		81000	81161	80000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		0	0	0
3355	Housing & Community Development		0	0	0
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		0	0	0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		0	0	0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		0	0	0
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		0	0	0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		10000	18234	10000
3409	Other Charges		0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		0	2680	0
3502	Interest on Investments		0	5254	0
3503-3509	Other		4000	30323	4000

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		0	0	0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		0	0	0
3914	From Enterprise Funds		0	0	0
	Sewer - (Offset)		0	0	0
	Water - (Offset)		0	0	0
	Electric - (Offset)		0	0	0
	Airport - (Offset)		0	0	0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		265100	109673	100000
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		0	0	0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		0	0	0
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")		100000	0	0
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes		0	0	0
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			751200	703312	513958.75

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	1677151	1753553
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	0	0
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	0	0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1677151	1753553
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	751200	513958.75
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	925951	1239594.25

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ANNUAL REPORT

Another year has gone by with Town Meeting and spring just around the corner. With the assistance of many of you, this year has been productive, successful and our Town has moved forward.

The highway garage was completed ahead of schedule and slightly under budget. The highway crew has transferred operation to the new facility and the building is being totally utilized.

Thanks to the effort of the Recreation Commission and volunteers the swimming platform and shed project was completed. The lighting system at the tennis courts was also placed in working order.

The new cruiser, for the Police Department, was placed into service during the summer. With the hiring of a full time police officer and the filling of all our part time positions, both cruisers have been very active.

The Fire Department has made it safer for our volunteer firemen with the purchase of 3 additional SCBA air packs and replacement of 10 outdated trucks.

We finally completed the full reassessment that was ordered by the State and the December tax bills reflected the update.

The Main Street project should begin this spring. Plans were revisited, modifications implemented, and easements were obtained. Even though the State's share has significantly increased since the project started, our share remains at \$75,000, which has already been raised and set aside.

As always our thanks goes out to all who volunteer their time and effort throughout the year. Your support and dedication is noted and appreciated by the Selectmen and the citizens of this great little town. With your help, we look forward to another productive and successful year.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul A. St. Cyr, *Chairman*
Steve D. Brown
Stephen B. Griffith
Board of Selectmen

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
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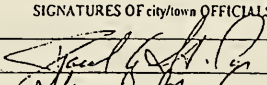
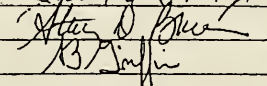
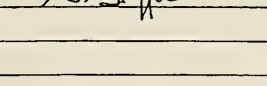
SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Form MS-1 for 2003

CITY/TOWN of Francestown IN Hillsborough COUNTY

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information provided in this report was taken from the official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. RSA 21-J:34

PRINT NAMES OF city/town OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF city/town OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink)
Paul A. St. Cyr	
Steve D. Brown	
Stephen B. Griffin	

Date Signed: 10/15/2003

*Check one: Selectmen ☒ Assessors ☐

City/Town TELEPHONE # 547-3469

Due date: September 1, 2003

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink (RSA 41:15 & Rev. Rule 105.02).

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/town tax assessments and sworn to uphold under oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions (pages 10 thru 14) provided for individual items.

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1st TO AVOID LATE FILING PENALTIES. (RSA 21-J:34 & 36.)

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO: NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION, MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU, PO BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487.

FOR DRA USE ONLY

Contact Person: Paul A. St. Cyr, Chair
(Print/type)

Note office hours: Mon-Thur 8AM - Noon

See Instructions beginning on page 10 of this set as needed.

LAND' BUILDINGS	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving. Lines 2 A, B, & C List all buildings.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2003 ASSESSED VALUATION By CITY/TOWN
1. VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B & 4 A. Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction # 1)		13140.243	\$ 1,629,357
B. Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		330.150	\$ 32,492
C. Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		0	0
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D Number of Structures		0	0
E. Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)		3481.097	\$ 56,692,700
F. Commercial/Industrial Land (DO NOT include Public Utility Land)		475.324	\$ 2,975,700
G. Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A + 1B + 1C + 1D + 1E + 1F)		17426.814	\$ 61,330,249
H. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land (\$ 4,620,600)		1269.623	
2. VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A & 3B			\$ 110,262,200
A. Residential			
B. Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31			\$ 434,000
C. Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Public Utility Buildings)			\$ 8,291,700
D. Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A + 2B + 2C)			\$ 118,987,900
E. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (\$ 3,825,900)			
3. PUBLIC UTILITIES - (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)			\$ 2,119,900
A. Public Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)			
B. Other Public Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)			0
4. MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5			
5. VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G + 2D + 3A + 3B + 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$ 182,438,049
6. Certain Disabled Veterans (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A Assistance) RSA 72:36 - a Total # 0 granted			0
7. Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37 - a Total # 0 granted			0
8. School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:33 IV (Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 for each) (See Instruction # 2) Total # 0 granted			0
9. Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12 - a Total # 0 granted			0

10. MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES <i>(Sum of Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, & 9) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value of your municipality.</i>	\$ 182,438,049
11. Blind Exemption RSA 72:37 <div style="text-align: right;">Total # <input type="text" value="1"/> granted</div> <div style="text-align: right;">Amount granted per exemption \$ <u>15,000</u></div>	\$ 15,000
12. Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b <div style="text-align: right;">Total # <input type="text" value="4"/> granted</div>	\$ 240,000
13. Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b <div style="text-align: right;">Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted</div> <div style="text-align: right;">Amount granted per exemption \$ <u>1,000</u></div>	0
14. Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70 <div style="text-align: right;">Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted</div>	0
15. Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62 <div style="text-align: right;">Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted</div>	0
16. Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66 <div style="text-align: right;">Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted</div>	0
17. Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV <i>(Amounts in excess of \$ 150,000)</i> <div style="text-align: right;">Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted</div>	0
18. TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS <i>(Sum of Lines 11 thru 17)</i>	\$ 255,000
19. NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED <i>(Line 10 minus Line 18)</i>	\$ 182,183,049
20. <u>Less</u> Public Utilities <i>(Line 3A) DO NOT include the value of OTHER public utilities listed in Line 3B.</i>	\$ 2,119,900
21. NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED <i>(Line 19 minus Line 20)</i>	\$ 180,063,149

UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, GAS, OIL & PIPELINE, WATER & SEWER RSA 83-F
List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include ONLY the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See Instruction # 3)

SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES, GENERATING PLANTS, ETC. (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instruction # 4)		2003 VALUATION
PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF NH		\$ 2,013,200
A1. TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION (See Instruction #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)		\$ 2,013,200

GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES	
A2. TOTAL OF ALL GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES LISTED (See Instruction #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)	0

WATER COMPANIES	
FRANCESTOWN VILLAGE WATER CO	\$ 106,700
A3. TOTAL OF ALL WATER & SEWER COMPANIES LISTED (See Instruction #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$ 106,700

GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES. (Sum of Lines A1, A2, and A3) This grand total of all sections must agree with the total listed on page 2, line 3A.	\$ 2,119,900
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SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies). (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instruction # 5)		2003 VALUATION
TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B. (See Instruction #3 for the names of the limited number of companies)		0

TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	*NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty. RSA 72:35	\$700	0	0
	\$1400	0	0
Other war service credits. RSA 72:28	\$50	77	\$ 3,850
	\$100	0	0
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		77	\$ 3,850

*If both husband & wife qualify for the credit they count as 2.
*If someone is living at a residence as say brother & sister, and one qualifies count as 1, not one-half.

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS RSA 162-K (See page 11 for instructions)	TIF#1	TIF#2	TIF#3	TIF#4
Date of Adoption				
Original assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Unretained captured assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
= Amounts used on page 2 (tax rates)	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Retained captured assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$

LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES <i>Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.</i>	MUNICIPALITY	LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land from MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186		
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Other from MS-4, acct. 3186		
Totals of account 3186		

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a						
NO. OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		PER AGE CATEGORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTION GRANTED			
AGE	#		AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65 - 74	0	\$ 40,000	65 - 74	0	\$ 40,000	0
75 - 79	0	\$ 40,000	75 - 79	2	\$ 40,000	\$ 80,000
80 +	0	\$ 80,000	80 +	2	\$ 80,000	\$ 160,000
			TOTAL	4		\$ 240,000

CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A				
	TOTAL NO. ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL NO. OF ACRES
FARM LAND	778.316	\$ 285,915	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	3,036.886
FOREST LAND	9,870.720	\$ 1,221,843	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR	
FOREST LAND with DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	1,483.777	\$ 107,296		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	29.660	\$ 446		TOTAL NO.
WETLAND	977.770	\$ 13,857	TOTAL NO. OF OWNERS IN C.U.	299
TOTAL Must match page 2	13,140.243	\$ 1,629,357	TOTAL NO. OF PARCELS IN C.U.	437

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B				
	TOTAL NO. ACRES RECEIVING CONS. RES. ASSESSMENTS	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL NO. OF ACRES
FARM LAND	29.100	\$ 7,724	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	74.000
FOREST LAND	65.750	\$ 8,856	REMOVED FROM CONSERVATION RESTRICTION DURING CURRENT YEAR	
FOREST LAND with DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	184.300	\$ 15,180		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	0	0		TOTAL NO.
WETLAND	51.000	\$ 732	TOTAL NO. OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	4
TOTAL Must match page 2	330.150	\$ 32,492	TOTAL NO. OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	4

REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34)

Date of Meeting: 3/15/2003

Town/City Of: Francestown County: Hillsborough

Mailing Address: PO Box 5 Francestown, N.H. 03043

Phone #: 547-3469 Fax #: 547-2818 E-Mail: _____

Certificate of Appropriations

(To be Completed After Annual or Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Governing Body (Selectmen)

Please sign in ink.

Date: March 22, 2003

[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
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P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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PENALTY: Failure to file within 20 days after each meeting at which appropriations were voted may result in a \$5.00 per day penalty for each day's delay (RSA 21-J:36).

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		48,974	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		29,500	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		29,037	
4152	Revaluation of Property		5,050	
4153	Legal Expense		7,500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		105,238	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		18,473	
4194	General Government Buildings		34,709	
4195	Cemeteries		18,333	
4196	Insurance		30,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		1,050	
4199	Other General Government			
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		111,864	
4215-4219	Ambulance		1,000	
4220-4229	Fire		35,150	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		2,000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		800	
4299	Other (Including Communications)			
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		69,000	
4312	Highways & Streets		315,385	
4313	Bridges		10,000	
4316	Street Lighting		3,500	
4319	Other			
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration			
4323	Solid Waste Collection			
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		136,519	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up			
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		2,300	
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other			
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration			
4414	Pest Control			
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		3,511	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		10,525	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other			
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		30,375	
4550-4559	Library		54,685	
4583	Patriotic Purposes			
4589	Other Culture & Recreation			
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		1,700	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING			
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes			
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes			
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note		2,500	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land	13	70,000	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment 5,9,11	12	57,973	
4903	Buildings	6	275,000	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs 7,8,20	21	75,000	
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Enterprise Fund			
	Sewer-			
	Water-			
	Electric-			
	Airport-			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		80,500	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds			
	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS		1,677,151	

SOURCE OF REVENUE

TAXES

Yield Taxes	27,027
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	45,326
Excavation Activity Tax	325
Land Use Change Tax	24,554

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	260,092
Building Permits	2,950
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	4,284

FROM STATE

Shared Revenue	21,333
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	45,482
Highway Block Grant	81,161

CHARGES FOR SERVICE

Income From Departments	18,234
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MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Interest on Investments	5,254
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INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	109,673
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

From Fund Balance "Surplus"	247,823
Fund Balance Used to Reduce Taxes	35,000

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS \$928,518

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN		TAX RATE
—TOWN PORTION—		
Appropriation	1,685,101	
Less: Revenues	<598,294>	
Less: Shared Revenues	<8,544>	
Add: Overlay	35,064	
War Service Credits	<u>3,850</u>	
Net Town Appropriation	\$1,117,177	TOWN RATE
Municipal Tax Rate		\$6.13
—SCHOOL PORTION—		
Due to Regional School District	2,836,629	
Less: Adequate Education Grant	<575,371>	
State Education Taxes	<u><564,711></u>	LOCAL SCHOOL RATE
Net School Appropriation	\$1,696,547	\$9.31
—STATE EDUCATION TAXES—		
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	4.92	
114,778,670		\$564,711 STATE
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	SCHOOL RATE	
180,063,149		\$3.14
—COUNTY PORTION—		
Due to County	175,403	
Less: Shared Revenues	<u><2,460></u>	
Approved County Tax Effort	172,943	COUNTY RATE
County Tax Rate		\$ 0.95
COMBINED TAX RATE		\$19.53
— COMMITMENT ANALYSIS—		
Total Property Taxes Assessed		3,551,378
Less: War Service Credits		<u><3,850></u>
Total Property Tax Commitment		3,547,528
—PROOF OF RATE—		
Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Ed. Tax 180,063,149	3.14	564,711
All Other Taxes 182,183,049	<u>16.39</u>	<u>2,986,667</u>
	32.00	3,551,378

—2004 BOND REQUIREMENTS—

Treasurer:	78,000
Tax Collector:	71,000
Town Clerk:	27,000
Trustees of Trust Funds:	125,000

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES				
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003				
ACCOUNT NAME	APPROPRIATION	EXPENDED	UNEXPENDED	OVERDRAFTS
EXECUTIVE	48,974.00	38,580.92	10,393.08	0.00
ELECTION REGISTRATION & VITAL	29,500.00	33,023.42	(3,523.42)	(3,523.42)
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	29,037.00	24,546.54	4,490.46	0.00
REVALUATIONS	5,050.00	3,519.45	1,530.55	0.00
LEGAL EXPENSES	7,500.00	7,632.83	(132.83)	(132.83)
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	105,238.00	94,057.16	11,180.84	0.00
PLANNING AND ZONING	15,973.00	6,481.84	9,491.16	0.00
PLANNING REVIEW EXPENSE	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING	34,709.00	30,566.61	4,142.39	0.00
CEMETERIES	18,333.00	14,244.32	4,088.68	0.00
INSURANCE	30,000.00	20,403.55	9,596.45	0.00
REGIONAL ASSOCIATION	1,050.00	983.21	66.79	0.00
POLICE	111,864.00	90,585.10	21,278.90	0.00
AMBULANCE	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	35,150.00	35,416.82	(266.82)	(266.82)
BUILDING INSPECTOR	2,000.00	2,355.00	(355.00)	(355.00)
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	800.00	200.74	599.26	0.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREET	232,385.00	241,413.63	(9,028.63)	(9,028.63)
GENERAL EXPENSE HGWY	69,000.00	77,349.99	(8,349.99)	(8,349.99)
RESEAL/PATCH	63,000.00	61,308.56	1,691.44	0.00
GRAVEL	20,000.00	22,433.80	(2,433.80)	(2,433.80)
BRIDGES	10,000.00	6,002.70	3,997.30	0.00
STREET LIGHTING	3,500.00	3,311.96	188.04	0.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	136,519.00	129,736.27	6,782.73	0.00
LANDFILL TEST & MAINTENANCE	2,300.00	4,207.74	(1,907.74)	(1,907.74)
HEALTH	3,511.20	3,510.45	0.75	0.00
WELFARE	10,525.00	7,170.56	3,354.44	0.00
PARKS AND RECREATION	30,375.00	30,230.69	144.31	0.00
LIBRARY	54,685.00	55,516.29	(831.29)	(831.29)
CONSERVATION	1,700.00	1,316.90	383.10	0.00
PRIN-LONG TERM NOTES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST-LONG TERM NOTES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST ON TAN	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
ART 3 CAPITAL RESERVES	80,500.00	80,500.00	0.00	0.00
ART 5 6 WHEEL DUMP/4-WHEEL DRIVE	15,000.00	6,800.00	8,200.00	0.00
ART 6 NEW HIGHWAY GARAGE 2003	275,000.00	269,308.73	5,691.27	0.00
ART 7 REPAIR/REPLACE LIGHTS TENNIS COURT	9,000.00	7,773.55	1,226.45	0.00
ART 8 SWIM PLATFORM/SHED AT BEACH	3,000.00	2,027.86	972.14	0.00
ART 9 POLICE SEDAN	26,540.00	26,540.00	0.00	0.00
ART 11 10 SCBA AIR TANKS	6,248.00	6,248.00	0.00	0.00
ART 12 SCBA AIR PACKS	10,185.00	10,185.00	0.00	0.00
ART 13 CONSERVATION FUND	70,000.00	70,000.00	0.00	0.00
ART 20 ADDITION TO CEMETERY #3	45,000.00	40,806.81	4,193.19	0.00
ART 21 FIRE POND ON TODD ROAD	18,000.00	4,401.00	13,599.00	0.00
TOTALS	1,677,151.20	1,570,698.00	106,453.20	(26,829.52)
CARRY OVER ARTICLES				
ART 6 NEW HIGHWAY GARAGE 2003	275,000.00	269,308.73	5,691.27	0.00
ART 20 ADDITION TO CEMETERY #3	45,000.00	40,806.81	4,193.19	0.00
ART 21 FIRE POND ON TODD ROAD	18,000.00	4,401.00	13,599.00	0.00
TOTAL CARRY OVER			23,483.46	
BALANCE RETURNED TO CAPITAL RESERVE	ART. 5,7,8		10,398.59	
NET UNEXPENDED BALANCE OF APPROPRIATIONS			72,571.15	

Balance Sheet
December 31, 2003

Assets

Cash	\$1,140,602
Investments	20,570
Taxes receivable, net	356,219
Tax liens receivable, net	58,161
Tax deeded property	4,881
Due from capital reserve funds	91,139
Due from State of New Hampshire	56,149
Total assets	<u>\$1,727,721</u>

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$2,893
Due to Conval School District	1,008,173
Deferred revenue	24,553
Deposits	14,575
Total liabilities	<u>1,050,194</u>

Fund Balance:

Reserved for conservation	3,175
Reserved for tax deeded property	4,881

Unreserved:

Designated for Main Street reconstruction	\$75,000
Designated for Fire department building repairs	2,995
Designated for Highway garage	5,691
Designated for Cemetery #3	4,193
Designated for Todd Road fire pond	13,153
Less: available in Capital Reserve Fund	<u>(82,176)</u>
	18,856

Undesignated	644,615
Total fund balance	<u>671,527</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$1,721,721</u>

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

(AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003)

LOCATION	ACRES	VALUE
Map 5 Lot 68 – Land	11.80	\$174,400
Transfer Station Buildings		17,600
Map 12 Lot 5 – Land	10.21	84,000
Fire Station	151,200	
Fire Department – Equipment		525,000
Highway Garage	207,300	
Highway Department – Equipment		275,000
Map 13 Lot 6 – Land	1.20	119,500
Red School Building		220,800
Map 13 Lot 20 – Land	1.00	79,200
Library	294,900	
Furniture & Equipment		106,500
Map 13 Lot 29 – Land40	68,600
Town Hall Annex		104,000
Furniture & Equipment		35,000
Police Department Equipment		46,000
Map 13 Lot 41 – Land	1.00	79,200
Town Hall, Carriage Sheds		380,800
Furniture & Equipment		6,500
Map 1 Lot 2-4 Greenfield Road	5.00	49,200
Map 1 Lot 13 Town Forest	61.00	74,600
Map 1 Lot 16-1 Greenfield/Farrington Rd.	16.73	95,300
Map 2 Lot 20 Town Forest	52.00	44,200
Map 3 Lot 28 Cemetery # 3	16.20	220,100
Map 3 Lot 56 Clarkville Road20	14,700
Map 3 Lot 91-1 Journeys End Road	10.00	81,000
Map 4 Lot 3 East Road	1.40	700
Map 4 Lot 5 Town Forest	445.24	175,900
Map 4 Lot 6 Town Forest	134.00	143,900
Map 4 Lot 11 East Road	1.10	44,100
Map 5 Lot 52 Main Street	1.00	6,600
Map 5 Lot 67 Town Forest	6.00	6,000
Map 6 Lot 25-1 Town Forest	27.91	155,700
Map 7 Lot 2 Town Forest	1.00	93,900
Map 7 Lot 3 East Road	9.35	253,700
Map 7 Lot 3-1 East Road	193.00	178,400
Map 7 Lot 6 East Road	115.50	142,300
Map 7 Lot 9 Mountain Road	1.2	46,10
Map 8 Lot 63 Bennington Road	39.00	96,30
Map 8 Lot 71 Old County Road North	2.00	14,20
Map 8 Lot 76 Old County Road North	22.00	85,00
Map 8 Lot 78-1 Old County Road North	1.00	41,20
Map 8 Lot 84 Pleasant Pond Road	64.00	180,00
Map 12 Lot 8 W/S 2 nd NH Turnpike S.25	61,600
Map 12 Lot 16 Cemetery # 2	1.25	239,500
Map 13 Lot 26 Cemetery # 1	1.00	237,600
Map 14 Lot 19 Bixby Mill Pond Dam	2.60	62,300
TOTAL ACRES AND VALUES	1,256.54	\$5,819,600

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January 16, 2004

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Francestown, New Hampshire

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated January 16, 2004.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

The management of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 2003, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors and irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to

the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

Wachon, Chahay & Co., PC

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENSES
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

EXECUTIVE

Appropriation \$48,974.00

Payroll*	\$32,568.86
Postage	489.15
Computer-Supplies/Repairs	1,073.55
Office Supplies	395.97
Professional Development	0.00
Publications	740.46
Travel Reimbursement	133.54
Advertising	109.00
Town Reports	2,095.60
Telephone	953.40
Miscellaneous	<u>21.39</u>
Total	\$38,580.92

ELECTION/REGISTRATION/TOWN CLERK

Appropriation \$29,500.00

Payroll*	\$28,251.10
Postage	120.49
Computer/Supplies	23.47
Printing	69.65
Copier/Supplies/Repairs	0.00
Office Supplies	559.03
Professional Development	817.50
Publications	171.00
Travel Reimbursement	472.58
Advertising	230.75
Telephone	1,102.21
Miscellaneous	<u>1,205.64</u>
Total	\$33,023.42

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation \$29,037.00

Payroll*	\$8,312.93
Postage	1,613.10
Computer/Supplies/Repairs	3,528.47
Printing	0.00
Copier/Supplies/Repairs	0.00

Office Supplies	583.55
Professional Development	597.00
Office Equipment	0.00
Travel Reimbursement	502.18
Recording Fees	630.81
Bank Fee Charges	1,904.03
Professional Audit	6,805.00
Professional Audit	<u>69.47</u>
Total	\$24,546.54

REVALUATION UPDATES

Appropriation \$5,050.00

Postage	\$395.45
Computer Supplies	1,125.00
Printing	550.00
Appraisal Updates	1,449.00
Tax Map Updates	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$3,519.45

LEGAL EXPENSES

Appropriation \$7,500.00

Legal/Defense/Claims	<u>\$7,632.83</u>
Total	\$7,632.83

PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation \$105,238.00

Medical Insurance	\$33,036.72
FICA	30,362.51
Unemployment Insurance	94.00
Workmen’s Compensation	6,988.67
Retirement - Highway	22,486.89
Short Term Disability	<u>1,088.37</u>
Total	\$94,057.16

PLANNING & ZONING

Appropriation \$15,973.00

Payroll*	\$1,059.00
Postage	122.64
Computer/Supplies/Repairs	0.00
Printing	460.45

Office Supplies	107.82
Professional Development	0.00
Publications	508.00
Travel Reimbursement	22.44
Advertising	893.75
Recording Fees	116.74
Professional Plan	0.00
Completeness Review	0.00
Reimburse Telephone	0.00
Regional Dues	1,673.00
Miscellaneous	18.00
Master Plan	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total	\$6,481.84

PLANNING REVIEW & EXPENSES

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Total \$0.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDG MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$34,709.00

Payroll*	\$3,510.00
Electricity	3,313.35
Telephone	1,379.35
Heating Fuel	3,432.86
Water	1,145.55
Buildings Repairs/Service	7,697.80
Bottled Water	121.25
Buildings Alarm Service	1,325.00
Buildings Furnishings	98.94
Town Clock	0.00
Grounds Keeping	5,960.13
Copier Contracts/Supplies	2,228.18
Supplies	<u>354.20</u>
Total	\$30,566.61

CEMETERIES

Appropriation \$18,333.00

Supplies	\$37.35
Electricity	94.81
Equipment Rental	60.00
Equipment Repairs/Supplies	0.00
Grounds Keeping	<u>11,619.17</u>

Cemetery Repairs #2	1,171.31
Miscellaneous	<u>1,261.68</u>
Total	\$14,244.32
INSURANCE	
Appropriation \$30,000.00	
Property & Liability	<u>\$20,403.55</u>
Total	\$20,403.55
REGIONAL ASSOCIATION DUES	
Appropriation \$1,050.00	
NHMA	\$963.21
Town Officers' Associations	20.00
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$983.21
POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Appropriation \$111,864.00	
Payroll*	\$58,540.26
Postage	155.00
Copier/Supplies/Repairs	29.74
Office Supplies	1,985.67
Professional Development	25.00
Publications	204.00
Office Equipment	944.82
Advertising	759.52
School Program	120.00
Telephone	2,349.00
Weapon	1,231.50
Ammunition	0.00
Animal Care	0.00
Professional Prosecutor	3,018.75
Dispatch Service	2,299.08
Medical Supplies	0.00
Uniforms	4,972.26
Radio Repairs	0.00
Gasoline	2,337.73
Repairs Cruiser	2,899.92
Radio Equipment	4,432.45
Miscellaneous	3,042.90
Special Duty Pay	<u>1,237.50</u>
Total	\$90,585.10

AMBULANCE

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Contacted Services	\$0.00
Ambulance Purch/Lease	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$0.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation \$35,150.00

Administrative Expenses	\$900.00
Electricity	1,555.14
Telephone	1,020.99
Heating Fuels	1,093.53
Building Repairs/Service	2,082.74
Propane	14.00
Vaccinations	110.00
Professional Development	5,493.92
Dispatch Service	4,781.82
Fire Equipment	2,848.00
Association Dues	615.00
Medical Supplies & Equipment	1,322.58
Protective Clothing	1,401.24
Forest Fires	1,854.00
Radio Repairs	1,958.71
Gasoline	250.46
Diesel	238.07
Repairs Fire Apparatus	6,473.80
Dry Hydrant Repair/Installation	198.36
Miscellaneous	<u>1,204.46</u>
Total	\$35,416.82

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Appropriation \$2,000.00

Payroll*	\$2,330.00
Office Supplies	<u>25.00</u>
Total	\$2,355.00

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Appropriation \$800.00

Radio Repairs	\$ 81.39
Miscellaneous	<u>119.35</u>
Total	\$200.74

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Appropriation \$232,385.00

Payroll	\$175,644.32
Professional Development	180.00
Road Salt/Salt Additive	22,753.47
Sand-Winter	15,204.00
Culvert/Grates/Maintenance	4,857.00
Mowing	2,007.50
Blasting	2,775.00
Equipment Rental	11,992.50
Calcium Chloride-Summer	4,961.00
Road Fabric	0.00
Seeds/Hay	100.00
Tree Cutting	0.00
Miscellaneous	<u>938.84</u>
Total	\$241,413.63

GENERAL EXPENSE HIGHWAY

Appropriation \$69,000.00

Office Supplies	\$400.35
Advertising	272.00
Electricity	3,833.43
Telephone	1,063.92
Heating Fuel	2,592.69
Water	356.75
Maintenance & Repairs Bldg	940.78
Dues	45.00
Supplies	1,361.48
Medical/Physical	0.00
Drug/Alcohol Testing	340.00
Protective Clothing	2,794.65
Radio Repair & Maint.	0.00
Gasoline/Additives	3,914.26
Diesel/Additives	9,808.95
Repairs Heavy Truck	9,097.10
Truck Parts	8,903.55
Repairs Heavy Equipment	7,489.08
Parts-Heavy Equipment	7,716.74
Tires	1,454.00
Oil/Lubricants/Anti-Freeze	2,011.46
Welding	1,239.61

Tools	1,505.32
Equipment Purchases	540.00
Street Signs	404.76
Traffic Signs	367.26
MV/Reg/Insp	67.00
Miscellaneous	745.87
Cutting Edges	522.00
Chains	982.50
Small Equipment/Repairs	553.90
Engineering	0.00
Sanders Repair	5,006.65
Plow Wing Repairs	<u>1,018.93</u>
Total	\$77,349.99

RESEAL/PATCH
 Appropriation \$63,000.00

Sand	\$8,823.00
Shimming	<u>52,485.56</u>
Total	\$61,308.56

GRAVEL
 Appropriation \$20,000.00

Bennington Site	\$441.00
Gravel/Processing	<u>21,992.80</u>
Total	\$22,433.80

BRIDGES
 Appropriation \$10,000.00

Maintenance/Repairs	<u>\$6,002.70</u>
Total	\$6,002.70

STREET LIGHTING
 Appropriation \$3,500.00

Utility Charge	<u>\$3,311.96</u>
Total	\$3,311.96

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL
 Appropriation \$136,519.00

Payroll*	\$30,032.43
Printing	35.94
Professional Development	100.00
Publications	0.00
Travel Reimbursement	0.00
Electricity	538.24
Telephone	687.36
Building Repairs	4,080.17
Propane	25.29
Supplies	1,535.45
Compactor Rental	2,100.00
Toilet Rental	1,526.82
Equipment Rental	262.50
Hauling/Disposal (Compactor)	71,766.71
Disposal Tires	491.50
Container Rental/Bulky (C&D)	0.00
Haul/Disposal - Bulky	12,193.38
Haul/Glass	250.00
Hauling/Newsprint	300.00
Hauling/Plastic	0.00
Hauling/Aluminum	390.00
Hshld. Hazardous Waste Collection	2,852.40
Appliance Disposal	0.00
Miscellaneous	<u>568.08</u>
Total	\$129,736.27

LANDFILL WELL TEST

Appropriation \$2,300.00

Payment to Town of Bennington	<u>\$4,207.74</u>
Total	\$4,207.74

HEALTH SERVICES

Appropriation \$3,511.20

Family Services	\$1,901.25
Home Health Care	1,212.00
Red Cross	<u>397.20</u>
Total	\$3,510.45

WELFARE GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation \$10,525.00

Payroll*	\$1,000.00
Publications	43.00
Welfare Eligibility Payments	<u>6,127.56</u>
Total	\$7,170.56

RECREATION

Appropriation \$30,375.00

Payroll*	\$17,243.00
Postage	199.55
Electricity	218.90
Telephone	206.04
Supplies/Beach	150.00
Toilet Rental	1,544.67
Maintenance Rec Equipment	1,500.00
Field Maintenance	3,671.12
Beach Lease	1,000.00
Little League/Baseball	2,475.00
Equipment	1,000.00
Swimming Program	235.00
Halloween	587.41
Summer Programs	0.00
Miscellaneous	<u>200.00</u>
Total	\$30,230.69

LIBRARY

Appropriation \$54,685.00

Payroll*	\$36,993.35
Postage	298.33
Office Supplies	788.71
Professional Development	385.00
Publications	987.93
Travel Reimbursement	279.70
Library Books	9,544.81
Electricity	795.06
Telephone	1,371.04
Heating Fuel	1,044.39
Water	214.85
Building Repairs	497.83
Equipment/Repairs	267.99
Miscellaneous	1,038.83
Summer Reading Program	<u>1,008.47</u>
Total	\$55,516.29

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation \$1,700.00

Postage	\$102.10
Copier Supplies	0.00
Printing	170.88
Office Supplies	6.98
Professional Development	165.00
Advertising	68.00
Professional Service/Legal	0.00
Association Dues	175.00
Field Equipment	413.94
Miscellaneous	215.00
WHIP Grant	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$1,316.90

DEBT SERVICE

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Prin-Long Term Notes	\$0.00
Interest-Long Term Notes	0.00
Interest on TAN	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$0.00

WARRANT ARTICLES 2003

ARTICLE 3 Capital Reserves

Appropriation \$80,500.00

Trust of Trust Funds	<u>\$80,500.00</u>
Total	\$80,500.00

ARTICLE 5 6-Wheel Dump/4-Wheel Drive

Appropriation \$15,000.00

Treasurer State of NH	<u>\$6,800.00</u>
Total	\$6,800.00

ARTICLE 6 New Highway Garage

Appropriation \$275,000.00

Ferd Construction	\$35,002.92
Edmunds Hardware Store	1,323.75
Francestown Sand & Gravel	44,810.00
Antrim Lumber	497.73
Sandford Survey & Engineering	550.00
Miller Plumbing & Heating	589.52
M.D. Davidson	208.08
Fimbel Paunet Corp.	505.00
Progressive Energy	1,000.00
American Construction	164,420.00
Brox Industries Inc.	14,154.02
Ossipee Mtn. Electronics	483.90
Treasurer State of NH	175.00
American Security	1,120.00
Francestown Village Store	188.12
Mamakating Electric Co.	3,310.00
Powers Generator Services LLC	<u>970.69</u>
Total	\$269,308.73

ARTICLE 7 Lights Tennis Court

Appropriation \$9,000.00

KA Electric	<u>\$7,773.55</u>
Total	\$7,773.55

ARTICLE 8 Swim Platform/Shed At Beach

Appropriation \$3,000.00

Brian Delahanty	\$597.86
Robert Rokes	<u>1,430.00</u>
Total	\$2,027.86

ARTICLE 9 Police Sedan

Appropriation \$26,540.00

Roberts Chrysler Dodge Sales	\$19,021.00
Ossipee Mtn Electronics	2,525.00
Wright Communications Inc.	<u>4,994.00</u>
Total	\$26,540.00

ARTICLE 11 10 SCBA Air Tanks

Appropriation \$6,248.00

AramSCO	<u>\$6,248.00</u>
Total	\$6,248.00

ARTICLE 12 SCBA Air Packs

Appropriation \$10,185.00

AramSCO	<u>\$10,185.00</u>
Total	\$10,185.00

ARTICLE 13 Conservation Fund

Appropriation \$70,000.00

Franeestown Conservation	<u>\$70,000.00</u>
Total	\$70,000.00

ARTICLE 20 Addition To Cemetery #3

Appropriation \$45,000.00

Miller Plumbing & Heating	<u>\$40,806.81</u>
Total	\$40,806.81

ARTICLE 21 Fire Pond On Todd Road

Appropriation \$18,000.00

Schauer Environmental	\$3,652.72
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JE Belanger Land Surveying	800.00
NH Dept. Environmental Services	<u>394.60</u>
Total	\$4,847.32

***Payroll**

Donald C. Abbott	\$1,000.00
Elizabeth M. Behrsing	350.00
Stephen P. Bell	12,100.00
Aaron B. Bequeath	420.00
Steven D. Brown	1,400.00
David H. Cahoon	934.04
Barbara J. Carbee	1,046.35
George C. Cilley	14,049.40
Alexandra R. Cristea	3,317.50
Liam F. Delahanty	1,232.00
Pamela K. Delahanty	4,000.00
Quinn K. Delahanty	160.00
Abigail L. Eneguess	1,150.00
Clayton Foote, Jr.	34,258.38
Richard A. Foote, Sr.	14,235.74
Jessica L. Gagnon	3,140.00
Stephen B. Griffin	1,050.00
Joan E. Hanchett	20,260.24
Rebecca L. Harris	1,967.82
Jonathan D. Holdredge	900.00
Sirkka T. Holm	1,645.69
Allison L. Houlihan	520.00
Glenn B. Huff	997.50
Carol W. Ireland	292.50
Phillip W. Ireland	1,146.94
Daniel L. Jewell, Jr.	14,361.56
Helen Johnston	210.00
Gay C. Keilty	4,749.00
Kathi L. Kendall	4,649.10
Peter C. Ketchum	1,015.00
Heather S. Kiblin	91.08
Erik A. Kokal	736.00
Kristopher S. Kokal	876.00
David W. Kullgren	3,583.14
Joan R. Kullgren	12.88
Paul H. Lawrence	165.00
Robert C. Lindgren	160.00
Joseph C. Ludwig	2,330.00

Stephen J. Macinnes	988.00
Barbara T. Martin	849.00
Karen M. Mayo	916.66
Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk	24,955.12
Tax Collector	4,777.00
Custodial	6,040.00
Bernice E. Miller	205.00
Jo-Ann Foote Miller	12.88
Richard O. Miller	4,340.01
Sarah L. Morgen	10,779.60
Warren B. Murdough	1,530.39
Pamela A. Nation	565.00
Jonathan A. Nightingale	1,026.00
Gary W. Paige	38,561.61
John E. Paige	851.96
Clayton O. Philbrick III	32,789.07
Thomas J. Plourde	45,827.08
Ronald A. Reimer	83.34
Lori J. Ricci	22,185.80
Meghan L. Rodier	520.00
Mary M. Ruzicka	340.00
Dolores J. Sanchioni	100.43
Patricia L. Schell	357.00
Gordon R. Sherman	61.80
Jason C. ST. Cyr	73.29
Karen A. ST. Cyr	63.09
Paul A. ST. Cyr	1,700.00
Thomas J. Thibeault	9,493.50
Liza H. Uhl	744.00
Kevin F. Valenti	9,620.00
Matthew E. Wingren	2,442.75
Philip J. Woodbury III	19,360.51
Peter M. Zahn	<u>50.00</u>
Total	\$396,722.75

TREASURER

ANNUAL REPORT

Year Ended December 31, 2003

Balance in the Treasury January 1, 2003		\$1,158,563.62
Tax Collector		\$3,833,771.61
Town Clerk		\$272,311.45
State of NH		
Shared Revenue Block Grant	\$10,666.50	
Highway Block Grant	\$81,161.38	
Other State Grants & Reimbursements	\$18,439.67	
Total State of NH		\$110,267.55
Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$24,613.62
Conservation Income		\$238,330.30
Unclassified:		
Building Permits	\$2,950.00	
Septic Approvals	\$450.00	
Pistol Permits	\$315.00	
Planning Board & BOA Fees	\$1,649.76	
Cemetery Lot Sales/Care	\$575.00	
Reimburse Police Expense	\$1,947.50	
Waste Disposal Fees	\$7,666.99	
Recycling Sales	\$3,080.00	
Exercise Programs	\$922.00	
Recreation Programs	\$4,436.00	
Sale of Town Owned & Tax Deeded Property	\$2,680.00	
Interest on Investments	\$5,241.81	
Short Term Rental	\$450.00	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$1,693.93	
Interfund Transfers	\$109,673.41	
Fines & Forefits	\$586.50	
Cable TV & Phone Commission	\$3,981.57	
Misc Revenues	\$25,526.20	
Sales - Printed Materials/Copies	\$797.37	
Total Unclassified		\$174,623.04
Total Revenues		\$4,653,917.57
Less: Selectmens' Orders Paid		\$4,252,755.81
Conservation Orders Paid		\$380,878.59
Balance in Treasury December 31, 2003		\$1,178,846.79
Balance in Treasury December 31, 2003		
Cash and Other Current Investments	\$1,139,401.57	
Cash in Conservation Account	\$39,445.22	
Total Balance in Treasury December 31, 2003		\$1,178,846.79

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Automobile Permits	2319	254,737.66
** Dog Licenses	478	2,737.00
Marriage Licenses	13	494.00
Copies of Vital Statistics	28	233.00
Filing Fees	3	3.00
Rebates to Town Clerk		7,612.50
Total		\$265,817.16

** A reminder that all dogs should be licensed by April 30th of each year, if dog is over 3 months old. There is a \$25.00 forfeit if your dog is not licensed by June 1st, RSA 466:13. **Important please be sure to bring current rabies certificate with you when licensing your dog.** Licenses available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday 8:00 A.M. to noon, and Monday evening 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine T. McClary
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN Year Ending 12/31/2003

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR*		2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2002	2001	2000+
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	\$ 361,768.35	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx	\$ 4,781.16	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
		xxxxxx			
		xxxxxx			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 3,558,698.00	\$ 1,019.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 49,107.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 27,026.70	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 325.36	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

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OVERPAYMENTS

Remaining From Prior Year		\$ 0.00			
New This Fiscal Year		\$ 1,141.75			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$ 5,985.76	\$ 18,766.25	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 3,642,284.57	\$ 386,334.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of TOWN OF FRANCETOWN Year Ending 12/31/2003**CREDITS**

REMITTED TO TREASURER	2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2002	2001	2000+
Property Taxes	\$ 3,203,022.21	\$ 191,490.55	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 48,313.80	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 24,548.27	\$ 4,185.37	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$ 5,985.76	\$ 18,766.25	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 325.36	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	\$ 0.00	\$ 169,249.38	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	\$ 0.00			

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	\$ 78.00	\$ 1,028.42	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 510.00	\$ 595.79	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$ 659.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES – END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	\$ 354,938.79	\$ 1,019.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 793.20	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 1,968.43	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Remaining Overpayments - Prior Yrs.	\$ 0.00			
Remaining Overpayments - This Year	\$ 0.00			
This Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 1,141.75			
Prior Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 0.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 3,642,284.57	\$ 386,334.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of TOWN OF FRANCETOWN Year Ending 12/31/2003**DEBITS**

UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS	2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2002	2001	2000+
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 41,117.15	\$ 10,870.28
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 180,314.13	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,166.48	\$ 3,977.01	\$ 3,429.74
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$ 0.00	\$ 193,480.61	\$ 45,094.16	\$ 14,300.02

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2002	2001	2000+
Redemptions		\$ 0.00	\$ 140,209.39	\$ 17,693.54	\$ 9,494.29
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,166.48	\$ 3,977.01	\$ 3,429.74
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 0.00	\$ 21.52	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$ 0.00	\$ 1,451.80	\$ 1,394.23	\$ 1,375.99
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$ 0.00	\$ 38,631.42	\$ 22,029.38	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$ 0.00	\$ 193,480.61	\$ 45,094.16	\$ 14,300.02

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? yesTAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Elaine T. McClary DATE 12/31/2003

ELAINE T. MCCLARY

**UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003**

2002 PROPERTY TAX - FIRST BILL

CILLEY, CLYDE E	1,019.00
<u>TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2002 PROPERTY TAX 1ST BILL</u>	<u>1,019.00</u>

2003 PROPERTY TAX - FIRST BILL

BENNETT, PATRICIA	1,514.00
BERRY, STEPHEN H	1,391.00
CHAMBERS ET AL, JOHN E.	1,225.00
DAIGNEAULT, ERNESTINE M.	555.00
DAIGNEAULT, ERNESTINE M.	971.00
DANIELS, TRAVIS W.	28.00
DUMAIS, DOUGLAS T.	693.00
DUNCAN, ELIZABETH P.	2.00
DUNCAN, ELIZABETH P.	864.00
FARRELL, DOUGLAS	1,133.00
HALSEY, HES	1,460.00
HALSEY, HES	343.00
HARDWICK, CARL H. JR.	1,901.00
HARDWICK, JOHN RICHARD	16.24*
HOYT, SR. WILLIAM F.	1,283.00
JOHNSON, DAVID A.	1,531.00
JOY, FRANKLIN III	992.00
JOY, THOMAS W.	573.00
KEE, ROBERT T.	21.00
KIBLIN, HOBARD D. & HEATHER	1,235.00
KIBLIN, WARREN	944.00
KUTY, PAUL & HAZEL C	2,112.00*
MACADAM ASSOC. INC HEIRS	52.00
MACADAM ASSOC. INC HEIRS	31.00
MARTEL, JOSEPH J.	742.00
MCKAIG, KEVIN B	1,598.00
MILLER, BERNICE	52.00
MILLER, BERNICE	1,708.00
MILLER, BERNICE	37.00
MILLER, RICHARD	1,842.00
MILLER, RICHARD O	863.00
MILLER, RICHARD O	1,355.00
MINTON, BRUCE	406.00
NAEGELI, SCOTT	1,296.75

NICHOLS, WENDY P.	8.00
NICHOLS, WENDY P.	96.00
ODONNELL, KENNETH R.	45.02
PETRILLO, ROBERT	2.00
PETRILLO, ROBERT	2,148.00
PITCHARD, PAMELA A.	1,643.00
QUILTY, JANET M	1,731.00*
RAV REALTY TRUST	2,026.41
ROBERTS, RICHARD D	1,155.00
RODIER, DENNIS P. & EILEEN L.	11.00
RODIER, DENNIS P. & EILEEN L.	2,729.00
RUSSELL, DANIEL	542.00
SANDERSON III, NATHAN	11.00
SANDERSON III, NATHAN	3,757.00
SCHELL, DAVID P.	1,842.00*
SLAMIN, GARY J. & SUE E.	1,064.00
TITUS, WAYNE E.	946.00*
UTTER, NANCY E.	4.03
YOUNG, JOHN H.	<u>1,531.62</u>
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2003 PROPERTY TAX-1ST.BILL	\$52,062.07

2003 PROPERTY TAX SECOND BILL

AIRIS, BARBARA LYNN	50.00
AMES, ROBERT C.	2,811.15
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	6,983.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	1,986.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	816.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	30,501.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	213.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	72,134.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	2,881.00
BALDWIN, MICHAEL	723.00**
BARBALATO, DONNA M. & RICHARD	500.00
BARREGO, PETER	3,469.00
BENNETT, PATRICIA	1,562.00
BERRY, STEPHEN H.	1,732.00
BLAIS, DANIEL	3.00*
BLAIS, DANIEL	3,411.00*
BOWES, BONNIE	758.00
BOWES, ROBERT J	205.00
BUCKLEY, MICHAEL D	2,688.00

BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	47.00
BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	2,089.00
BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	9.00
BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	11.00
CAMELIO, ROBERT F. & ADELINE	354.00
CAMPBELL, KENNETH	23.00
CAMPBELL, KENNETH	2,841.00
CASKIE (ET-AL) BARBARA	275.12**
CHAMBERS ET AL, JOHN E	1,299.00
CLARK, MIRIAM R	33.00
CLARK, MIRIAM R	2,246.00
CONNOR, RICHARD	16.04*
COPE, GREGORY T	4,358.00
CURREN, THOMAS	284.00
CURREN, THOMS B	120.00
DAIGNEAULT, ERNESTINE M	908.00
DAIGNEAULT, ERNESTINE M	1,144.00
DANIELS, TRAVIS W	30.00
DAVIS, JOAN	2,178.00
DE TARNOWSKI, MICHAEL J	1,990.00**
DELAND, FRANK S. III	12.00
DEMETRY, JOHN D	5,689.00
DIBBLE, BONNIE	1,664.00
DISHONG, EDWARD M.	1,380.00
DRINKWATER-LUNN, DAVID	2,872.00**
DUMAIS, DOUGLAS T.	1,539.00
EISENBERG, ALFRED J	9.18
ELLIS, PAUL V.	3,435.00*
FARRELL, DOUGLAS	1,086.00
FLETCHER, LARAINA A.	4,654.00
FOOTE JR, CLAYTON F.	285.00*
FOOTE, MARION I	1,723.00
FREEMAN, WARD P	2,911.00
GARGANO, LISA C	7.42*
GILMAN, DENNIS	2,934.00
GIRARD, CAROL	5.52
GLAUDE JR. MAURICE A.	938.00
GUADAGNO, KIM A	2,164.00
GUARINO, JACQUELINE	880.00
HALSEY, HES	3,226.00
HALSEY, HES	551.00
HARDWICK, CARL H. JR.	2,377.00
HARDWICK, JOHN RICHARD	2,040.00**

HARDY, MARILYN	3,372.00
HARRINGTON, BRUCE	39.00
HESS, CAROL L.	1,430.00
HOLMES, JENNIFER P	522.00*
HOOPER, PATRICK G	240.00
HOWE, JAMES	8.44
HOWELL, CATHERINE	69.00
HOWELL, CATHERINE	11.00
HOWELL, CATHERINE	3,574.00
HOYT SR. WILLIAM F	1,597.00
HUFF, GLENN B	2,753.00
JOHNSON, DAVID A	636.00
JOY, FRANKLIN III	2,020.00
JOY, THOMAS W.	876.00
KATZ, GEOFFREY	444.00
KATZ, GEOFFREY	925.00
KEE, ROBERT T.	7.32
KEE, ROBERT T.	40.00
KELLY, MARJORIE S	3,335.00
KERNEN, BRANDON M.	62.00
KIBLIN, HOBART D. & HEATHER	1,599.00
KIBLIN, WARREN	1,653.00
KNIGHT, PAUL B.	2,878.00
KULLGREN, JOAN	500.00*
KUTY, PAUL & HAZEL C.	3,538.00*
LAWRENCE, RICHARD	13.00
LUDWIG, ANTHONY J	1,786.00*
LUNAN, JOHN B	1,042.48
MACDONALD, THOMSON	594.00
MACKEIGAN, EDWARD	2,971.00
MARCELLINO, PHILLIP	2,726.00
MARTEL, JOSEPH J	1,042.00
MASEL, ANNE J	2.00
MAYBEE, HARRY THOMAS	1,022.00
MCCARTHY, JAMES J	7.50*
MCGRATH, ARTHUR	981.00
MCINNIS, JOHN A	1,379.00*
MCKAIG, KEVIN B.	1,841.00
MILLER, BERNICE	36.00
MILLER, BERNICE	28.00
MILLER, BERNICE	2,109.00
MILLER, RICHARD	2,485.00
MILLER, RICHARD O.	1,214.00

MILLER, RICHARD O.	2,389.00
NAEGELI, SCOTT	3,931.00
NAUN, GEORGE	11.00*
NICHOLS, WENDY P.	61.00
NICHOLS, WENDY P.	15.00
ODONNELL, KENNETH	2,668.00
PATTEN, RICHARD	18.00
PATTEN, RICHARD E	976.00
PETERS, JOHN J. III	3.00
PETRILLO, ROBERT	3,289.00
PETRILLO, ROBERT	25.00
PETROVICK, MICHAEL J	1,100.00
PETTEE, CHARLES A.	510.00*
PITCHARD, PAMELA A.	2,677.00
PLACE, BROOKS-SCOTT-TODD	59.00*
PLACE, BROOKS-SCOTT-TODD	1,516.00*
PYLE III, CHARLES M.	479.00*
PYLE III, CHARLES M.	5,573.00*
PYLE III, CHARLES M.	1,914.00*
QUILTY, JANET M	1,930.00
ROBERTS, RICHARD D.	813.00
RODIER, DENNIS P.	2,779.00
RODIER, DENNIS P.	7.00
RODRIGUES, DANIEL J.	1,516.97
ROKES, BARBARA J. REVOC.	1,878.00
SANDERSON III, NATHAN	7.00
SANDERSON III, NATHAN	5,312.00
SCHELL, DAVID P.	2,413.00*
SCHWAAB, EDLEEF H	28.00
SLAMIN, GARY J.	1,223.00
SOSNICK, NICOLETTE	610.00
TITUS, WAYNE E	1,029.00
WHITTEMORE, FREDERICK	27.00
WIESNER, ALBERT	549.00
WILDER, NICHOLAS	4,350.00
WOZMAK, DAVID	52.00
WRIGHT, MARK & MARTHA	6.58
YOUNG, JOHN H.	<u>1,661.00</u>
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2003 PROPERTY TAX-2ND BILL	\$302,876.72

**UNREDEEMED TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003**

2001 PROPERTY TAX LIEN

HOYT SR., WILLIAM F.	2,127.71
JOY, FRANKLIN III	2,079.74
JOY, THOMAS W.	1,216.22
KIBLIN, WARREN	1,980.63**
MARTEL, JOSEPH J	95.42
MILLER, BERNICE	3,598.89
MILLER, BERNICE	130.44
MILLER, BERNICE	97.42
MILLER, RICHARD	3,830.08
MILLER, RICHARD O	2,829.18
MILLER, RICHARD O	1,804.24
SLAMIN, GARY J.	<u>2,239.41</u>
TOTAL 2001 PROPERTY TAX LIEN DUE	\$22,029.38

2002 PROPERTY TAX LIEN

BENNETT, PATRICIA	3,288.41
FARRELL, DOUGLAS	1,141.03
HALSEY, HES	1,617.76
HALSEY, HES	145.91
HOYT SR, WILLIAM F.	2,791.16
JOY, FRANKLIN III	2,147.16
JOY, THOMAS W	1,255.24
KIBLIN, WARREN	2,045.01
MARTEL, JOSEPH J.	1,616.07
MILLER, BERNICE	136.69
MILLER, BERNICE	101.55
MILLER, BERNICE	3,724.57
MILLER, RICHARD	3,955.14
MILLER, RICHARD O.	2,919.88
MILLER, RICHARD O.	1,866.23
NICHOLS, WENDY POTE	8.44
PITCHARD, PAMELA A	3,567.23
SCHELL, DAVID P	4,003.49*
SLAMIN, GARY J.	2,300.45
TOTAL 2002 PROPERTY TAX LIEN DUE	\$38,631.42

* PAID IN FULL AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2003

** PARTIAL PAYMENT AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2003

Respectfully submitted, Elaine T. McClary, Tax Collector

UNCOLLECTED 2003 TIMBER YIELD TAX	
FRITZ, JENNIFER H	15.12*
GADWAH, RONALD L	495.78
IRELAND, PHILLIP W (BILL NOT DUE UNTIL 1/30/04)	1,163.80*
MILLER, BERNICE	<u>293.73</u>
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2003 TIMBER YIELD TAX	1,968.43
 UNCOLLECTED 2003 CURRENT USE TAX	
HEANEY, JEB	750.00
VALENTIN, ALFREDO	<u>43.20*</u>
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2003 CURRENT USE TAX	793.20

- * PAID IN FULL AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2003
- ** PARTIAL PAYMENT AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2003

Respectfully submitted, Elaine T. McClary, Tax Collector

FRANCESTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT

2003 OFFICERS

<i>Chief:</i>	Donald Abbott	<i>Standing Committee:</i> ...	Richard Leavitt
<i>First Deputy:</i>	Brian Delahanty		Rich Pierson
<i>Second Deputy:</i>	Rich Pierson		Chuck Kendall
<i>Forest Fire Warden:</i>	Richard Leavitt	<i>Clerk:</i>	Mark Pitman
<i>Captains:</i>	Gary Paige	<i>Treasurer:</i>	Paul St. Cyr
	Frank Jones	<i>Training Officer:</i>	Frank Jones
	Larry Kullgren		Kevin Holdredge
	David Kullgren	<i>Fire Prevention Officer:</i>	Rich Person
	Kevin Holdredge	<i>Historian:</i>	Al Thulander

BREAKDOWN OF CALLS

FIRES

Structure	1	OTHER	
Brush	3	Mutual Aid	15
Chimney	4	PSNH - wires down	26
Smoke Alarm	9	Drills	19
Smoke Investigation	1	Meetings	16
Vehicle	1	Work Details	18
Appliance	1	Sunday Morning Radio Check	52
		Miscellaneous	22

RESCUES

Accidents	27
Medical	30
Water	0

The Fire Department responded to a total of 123 emergency calls during 2003 (this does not include drills, meetings, work details or radio check, which totaled 103).

During 2003 we had 7 firefighters complete an EMT course.

We are in the process of selecting the appropriate thermal imaging camera for the department. Thanks to the many generous donations we have received during the year, we should be able to purchase one soon.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald C. Abbott
Fire Chief

**AUXILIARY
FRANCESTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT
2003 Officers**

<i>President:</i>	Karen St. Cyr
<i>Vice President:</i>	Joan Kullgren
<i>Secretary:</i>	Marie Rechkemmer
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Carol Ireland
<i>Ex Officio:</i>	Linda Abbott

The Auxiliary membership includes a total of 39 members, consisting of women related to a member of the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department (FVFD), as well as those who have joined to assist the Auxiliary in their mission to support the FVFD. Having formally met for eleven meetings, rather than our scheduled five, 2003 was one of our busiest years in recent history.

Events of particular note this year include the following: Linda Abbott stepped down as President, after capably leading the organization for a total of 22 years. Joan Kullgren was honored by the Fire Department for her many years of service as their “unofficial seamstress” at the Annual Fire Department Appreciation Dinner, held in May. She has made alterations, and affixed countless patches and lettering on bunker gear and uniforms for members over the years. For the first time in decades, the Auxiliary entered a float in the Labor Day parade, garnering a 3rd place ribbon in the Most Original category.

During the year, the Auxiliary was called on to supply refreshments for firefighters at extended calls. The menu included such items as the traditional home made Kullgren donuts, ham and egg English muffin sandwiches, or freshly made soup, all of which have made the Auxiliary renown for feeding the firefighters well on a long call.

In March we sold refreshments at Town Meeting. We also prepared and served our customary corned beef dinner at the Hillsborough County Forest Fire Warden monthly meeting in March, held regularly at Francestown Station.

We completed our 2nd year sponsoring semi-annual Red Cross Blood Drives, held at the Francestown Elementary School on the 1st Mondays of May and December. The established blood drives bring donors from seven area communities, and attracts regular donors, new donors, and donors returning from a hiatus in giving, as well!

October Fire Prevention activities for both the Auxiliary and FVFD were expanded this year to include the Francestown community at large. Participating with the FVFD in their ‘Fire Prevention and Safety Program’ in the Francestown schools, the Auxiliary provides apple juice and homemade cookies for everyone, and presents a gift certificate to each school for a book on this same topic. Additionally, the Auxiliary sponsored a month long campaign, “Keep Your Home Safe”. Offered in collaboration with the FVFD, and Edmund’s Hardware, the project promoted safety awareness in the home via use of CO and smoke detectors, and fire extinguishers. An opportunity for Francestown residents was offered to purchase these items at a reduced cost. This project, which included an opportunity for

residents to have a complimentary home inspection by a member of the FVFD for proper placement of these items, was so successful that it may serve as a pilot for other fire companies. We also assisted with the well attended FVFD Open House.

The Auxiliary was called upon to assist with catering functions at the Community Church, the Wiederhold shared birthday party in October, and the Open House for the Department of Public Works new highway garage.

Complimentary copies of the *2004 Francestown Telephone and Business Directory*, published by the Auxiliary, were mailed to every Francestown resident on November 1st! Additional copies, available at the Library, Town Offices, and Village Store are \$3 per copy. The Directory Project includes a bi-annually updated edition, and plans for the 2006 edition are already underway.

The Auxiliary is indebted to Francestown residents for their continued support of our endeavors. Accomplishment of our goals is reached through the efforts of many.

We welcome new members! As always, if anyone is interested in joining the Auxiliary, please contact one of our offices.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen A. St. Cyr
President

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER ANNUAL REPORT

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding area) is completely covered with snow. Violations of the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, in addition to the cost of suppressing the fire.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning. Contact the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. *Please make note of above law.*

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and making sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your fire department or the New Hampshire Division of Forest and Lands at www.nhdfi.org or 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

2003 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported through November 03, 2003)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Belknap	40	4.86
Carroll	46	13.99
Cheshire	8	.68
Coos	7	17.40
Grafton	22	12.60
Hillsborough	60	11.34
Merrimack	98	10.45
Rockingham	56	18.54
Strafford	34	7.94
Sullivan	3	2.03

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	10
Campfire	25
Children	13
Smoking	20
Debris	226
Railroad	3
Lightning	2
Equipment	8
Misc.*	67
<i>(*Misc.: powerlines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)</i>	

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2003	374	100
2002	540	187
2001	942	428
2000	516	149

Only You Can Prevent Wildland Fires

Respectfully submitted,
Richard F. Leavitt
Forest Fire Warden

GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY **ANNUAL REPORT**

The following Committees met in the library during the year 2003:

Francestown Land Conservation	Francestown Oral History
Francestown Academy	Francestown Water Department
Francestown Food Co-Op	Francestown Girl Scouts
4-H History Club of Hillsborough County	Pleasant Pond Players
Library Building Committee	Library Grant Writing Committee
The Old Meeting House	

Circulation of Library Materials during 2003:

Adult Fiction	3452	Juvenile Fiction	2301	
Adult Non Fiction	1506	Juvenile Picture Books	2451	
Adult Audio Tapes	1071	Juvenile Non Fiction		1198
Adult Magazines	<u>1636</u>	Juvenile Tapes	72	
TOTAL	7665	VHS	<u>154</u>	
		TOTAL	6176	

Total of Library Materials Circulated for 2003: 13,841

Inter Library Loan Requests:		New Patrons:	104
Filled by our Library:	184	Adult Gifts:	17
Requested by us:	110	Juvenile Gifts:	26
Adult Books Purchased 2003:	310	VHS Gifts:	37
Juvenile Books Purchased:	698	Discards: Adult 171	Children 221

Library Events for 2003:

January	Book Discussion	<i>Cynthia West & Judy Danforth</i>
	Piscataquog River Photo Exhibit	
	Movies every Tuesday night	<i>Heidi Dawidoff</i>
February	Movies every Tuesday night	<i>Heidi Dawidoff</i>
March	Silent Auction	<i>\$1085.00 - Building Fund</i>
	Route 47 Meeting	<i>Jim Bolle</i>
	Movies every Tuesday night	<i>Heidi Dawidoff</i>
April	Book Discussion	<i>Rebecca Harris & Francelle Carapetyan</i>
June	Plant Exchange & Tree Pruning	
	Building Forum at Red School	
July	Building Forum at Red School	
August	Book & Bake Sale	<i>\$947.00 - Building Fund</i>
	Nubanusit Librarians Meeting	
	Summer Reading Program	<i>Sarah Morgen</i>
September	Women's Wellness Classes	<i>Dr. Glenn Huff</i>
	Labor Day Exhibit	<i>Francestown Resident</i>
	Library Welcome Coffee	
October	South Africa Past & Present	<i>Gary Schnakenberg</i>
	Pumpkin Painting Class	<i>Kathy Marx</i>
	Quilting	<i>Beth Frisbee Wallace</i>
	Pleasant Pond Players	<i>\$1601.72 - Building Fund</i>
November	Book Discussion	<i>Cynthia West & Elizabeth Hunter Lavallee</i>
	Jelly Cupboard Raffle	<i>\$797.00 - Building Fund</i>
	New Moms Coffee	

Our Children's Librarian Sarah Morgen has a well-attended Storytime every Wednesday morning throughout the year.

My thanks to Sarah, Sirkka, Rebecca and the Trustees for their efforts in making the library an enjoyable place to visit.

Remember this is your library. Please let us know of any books you are interested in reading or program you would like to see.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan E. Hanchett
Librarian

**GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY
LIBRARY TRUSTEE
ANNUAL REPORT**

TRYING TO PUT A WATERMELLON INTO A MILK BOTTLE

Dealing with the daily spatial requirements of the Library is like trying to fit a watermelon into a milk bottle. Continuing to grow in increasing patrons and trying to accommodate the increasing use of the Library building by Community groups has continued the on-going squeeze again this year. The physical space of the Library remains the same, a problem yet to be solved.

We have a workable solution. The Trustees, the architects of Dennis Mires, PA of Manchester, New Hampshire, and the appointed Building Committee have, over the past three years, completed careful and thoughtful research to develop a projected design for an addition to the existing Library. The proposed addition and the continued use of the present structure will furnish the recommended space for the efficient operation of the Town Library.

The Hill family gave the present building to the Town in 1923 to be used as a library. The Hill's also gave additional land, adjoining the Library, to the Town in 1957. The planned design for the addition was taken from an old photograph of a barn that was once part of the property and is in keeping with the established ambiance and integrity of our historic Main Street.

The recent Master Plan questionnaire, concerning the future of the Library, resulted in a large majority of support to keep the Library at its present location in Town. It is here where the Library has grown and flourished in the heart of the Community for 81 years. We are seeking funding from the Community members at large and are applying for available grants to meet the estimated cost of \$1.6 million for the proposed addition. No building will begin until all the necessary funding, to complete the addition, is met.

Once again we remain grateful to Director Joan Hanchett, Children's Librarian Sarah Morgen, and the staff for their unfailing knowledge, commitment, and enthusiasm in meeting the literary needs so ably of our ever-growing Community of active inquisitive minds of all ages. Also we want to express our sincere gratitude to the Community for its encouragement and its support of the Library as it grows into the 21st century. It is tremendously appreciated. Thank you.

Libraries in America are cornerstones of the communities they serve. Free access to books, resources, and information in American libraries is imperative for education, employment, enjoyment, and self-government. Libraries are a legacy to each generation, offering the heritage of the past and the promise of the future. We connect people and ideas by helping each person select from and effectively use the library's resources.

- American Library Association

Respectfully submitted,
MaryFrances Carey
Trustee Chair

CONSERVATION COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Throughout the year Commission members have participated in many activities including subdivision and wetland application review, monitoring easements, dealing with wetland and easement violations, attending educational workshops, leading a variety of hikes that included two moonlight snowshoe hikes, several after-school ones, and our annual Earth Day hike, passed out seedlings at the elementary school and have also worked with the Planning Board on plans for developing an updated Natural Resource Inventory (NRI) and on conservation zoning issues.

There is strong evidence that Frankestown residents consider open space protection and its associated benefits to be a priority for consideration. In recognition of this the Commission has endeavored to work with the Planning Board as they develop an Open Space Residential Development ordinance that recognizes the need for smart growth that will encourage the protection of our open spaces, natural resources and the rural quality of our town. We plan to continue to work closely with the Planning Board on any natural resource related issues.

The Commission has initiated a project to protect ecologically significant land in the Shattuck Pond and Crotched Mountain areas. At 2003 Town meeting we received overwhelming support of the voters towards achieving this, with \$70,000 being approved for the Conservation Fund, 50 acres of the old Ski Area land voted to be annexed to the Town Forest, and a significant amount of town-owned lands approved to be placed under conservation easement. To follow up on the proposed easements we have initiated discussion with The Society for the Protection of NH Forests and have had a preliminary meeting with one of their representatives. There has been some review of proposed easement language and we have requested quotes from surveyors to have the proposed easement area and town forest area surveyed.

A 59+/- acre parcel of land with 1794 feet of frontage on Shattuck Pond was purchased for \$200,000 with the Town being reimbursed \$87,500 by a grant we received from the Federal Land & Water Conservation Fund program. The acquisition of this property with the attached covenants of the grant agreement will ensure that this property is not only protected from development, but that it will be forever open to the public for recreational use. This acquisition is also one of the target lots for the LCHIP grant, and will be eligible for funds reimbursement through that program when the land protection project is completed.

A bargain sale agreement was successfully negotiated with Sam Tamposi Jr., of SAT, Sr. Limited Partnership for 198.9 acres of property adjacent to the Crotched Mt. Town Forest. This property contains significant ecological features and is an important link to other conservation land. The purchase of this property was finalized on January 5th of 2004, the agreed upon selling price equaling the appraised value of the property at \$645,000, with the Town actually paying only \$150,000, the value in excess of that (\$495,000) being a gift from the sellers. This property is a "match" property on the LCHIP grant project.

An agreement was also reached on a 25-acre parcel of land owned by H&H Investments LLC on the southwest end of the Town Forest (formerly Merrill property). This has also long been on the list of priorities for protection, and the acquisition of this parcel will be the culmination of a land conservation project initiated by the CC more than 14 years ago, and will also be included in the LCHIP project as a “match” parcel. The proposed closing date for this property is April of 2004.

Although approval was received for a grant through the NH Land & Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) there have been some changes in this program due to funding problems, and there are several issues that will need to be resolved before there is any actual receipt of funds. One of the issues being that we applied for \$500,000 in funds but were only awarded a little more than half that, leaving us with a shortage of funding. We are trying to find creative solutions to some of the issues, and continue to look into other grant possibilities. We have completed draft copies of stewardship/management plans required for the LCHIP program.

Various ongoing management activities in the Town Forests continue under the supervision of consulting forester Dan Cyr of Bay State Forestry, and with help and guidance from natural resource professionals at UNH Cooperative Extension and NH Fish & Game. A timber harvest was completed in the Merrill Memorial section of the forest with more than \$60,000 net income received that helped fund this years land acquisitions. Several community volunteers assisted Commission members with the planting of 40 Crabapple trees and 50 fruiting shrubs for wildlife. An inventory of the wild creatures in the town forests has been initiated by CC member Polly Freese with a list of the birds found.

The Recreational Trail Grant project was completed this summer, enabling financial reimbursement for picnic tables, trail maps, trail signs, kiosks, birding shelters and bog bridges that have been added to the Town Forest. On behalf of the Town, the Commission would like to publicly thank all the tremendous volunteers who participated in this project, both directly and indirectly. Special thanks go to Jeff Tarr for the many, many donated hours of backbreaking toil and to Nathan Sanderson V for the handsome map brochure. Maintenance and improvement of the hiking trails in the Crotched Mt. Town Forest is an ongoing project. For the third year in a row we sponsored a project for NH Trails Day in July, as well as holding our own “Trails Day” on another date.

As the agency specifically charged with the responsibility for the proper utilization and protection of natural resources and watersheds within our town as well as with the responsibility to keep an index on these resources, the Conservation Commission is planning to initiate an updated natural resource inventory. We hope to have our tax maps updated to a digital format that will be compatible with current GIS databases. This is a key tool for future town planning.

The Commission will continue to work on various issues and projects throughout the year and would once again like to thank the community for its continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Betsy Hardwick
Chair

CONSERVATION FUND

Available Balance 12/31/03 \$63,602.12 *(includes Current Use transfer)*

Income

Current Use	\$24,156.90	<i>* transfer actually completed in January</i>
Sale of Timber	\$69,601.57	
Warrant Article	\$70,000.00	
Grant Reimbursement		
LWCF	\$87,500.00	
Rec. Trail Project	\$9,771.58	
Habitat Projects	\$470.00	
Interest	\$987.15	

Expense

Forest Management	\$5,702.00	
Land Acquisition	\$365,302.16	<i>Shattuck/Tamposi/ H&H deposit/appraisals/closing</i>
Rec. Trail Projects	\$9,652.33	
Habitat Project	\$198.10	
Bank Fee	\$24.00	

2003 SCHEDULE OF CONSERVATION LANDS

NEW PURCHASES

- | | |
|--|-------------|
| 1. Shattuck | 59.0 acres |
| <i>- Curren/McDonnell purchase, LWCF Grant</i> | |
| 2. Tamposi purchase | 198.9 acres |
| <i>- SAT Sr. Limited Partnership, bargain sale</i> | |

TOWN FORESTS

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|--|--------------|
| 1. Crotched Mountain Town Forest | 663.46 acres |
| <i>- King, Merrill, Schultz, and Hardwick purchases and Merrill Donation - south side of Crotched Mountain</i> | |
| 2. Driscoll Hill Town Forest | 53.6 acres |
| <i>- Bowman Tract - off Driscoll Hill Road</i> | |
| 3. Lord Town Forest | 27.91 acres |
| <i>- Ferson Road</i> | |
| 4. Piscataquog River Town Forest | 6.0 acres |
| <i>- Behind/beside transfer station</i> | |
| 5. Fire Tower Town Forest | 1.0 acres* |
| <i>- Former state fire tower site-Crotched Mountain summit</i> | |
| 6. Crotched Mountain Lot | 1.4 acres* |
| <i>- Purchased from Northfield Mt. Herman School)</i> | |

* To be combined and joined with another 50 acres of abutting town-owned land per 2003 Town Warrant Article, just awaiting survey and Planning Board approval for lot-line adjustment.

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS HELD BY TOWN

238.39 acres

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|---|-------------|
| 1. Pleasant Pond/Piscataquog River | 144.9 acres |
| <i>- Off Pleasant Pond Road, donated by Ellen M. Hill</i> | |
| 2. Piscataquog River | 45.6 acres |
| <i>- Poor Farm and Todd Roads, donated by Harry & Connie Varnum</i> | |
| 3. Piscataquog River | 22.63 acres |
| <i>- South New Boston Road, donated by Karen Dunscombe</i> | |
| 4. Whiting Brook | 25.26 acres |
| <i>- Off route 136, donated by Anthony Davis</i> | |

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ANNUAL REPORT**

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The Highway Department saw several changes during 2003. We moved into our new highway garage, which is a large step up from the old one. The department is now able to perform truck and plow repairs inside. We, at the Highway Department, would like to thank the people of Francestown for all of their support.

The department is looking forward to getting back on-line with our road rebuilding during 2004. We have plans to continue work on the 2nd New Hampshire Turnpike South for approximately one mile.

I would also like to say thank you to all the employees of the department, both full and part time, for their dedication and support.

Roads Graveled in 2003

Candlewood Hill Road
Dennison Pond Road
Birdsall Road
Avery Road
Scoby Road

Planned for 2004

Poor Farm Road
Bible Hill Extension
Palmer Road
Hay Hill Road
Cross Road
Ferson Road

TRANSFER STATION

During the year, the Transfer Station changed the way newspaper and cardboard was collected. I hope this has made it a little less confusing, when dropping off your paper products.

The beginning of 2004 has also brought additional changes to the Transfer Station. The biggest is the announcement of Clayton Foote (Jr) as manager of the Station. I know he will do a great job.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Plourde
Public Works Director

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

911 maps have been completed and are available thanks to the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department and Mount Crotched Fire Fighters Association, who fully funded the project. The maps are being reproduced and will be made available to all Emergency Service Departments including mutual and surrounding town Fire and Police Departments, State Police, ambulance services, dispatch services, etc.

Local and regional plans are being developed to cover potential catastrophic situations, not only in Francestown but surrounding areas.

Emergency Management submitted and received a 75/25 grant from FEMA to purchase a portable 20-KW diesel generator. The generator will be available to provide electricity to buildings designated as emergency shelters for lighting, heat, food preparation, and water during an emergency situation. Since we currently have 3 designated emergency shelters, the generator could be placed at any of the 3 locations to provide needed services.

I am available to answer your questions related to natural disasters, emergency services, etc. Please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul A. St. Cyr
Director

**FRANCESTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT**

As in past years, the department's calls for service continued to climb. We answered over 2350 calls in 2003. The ski area increased the officers' workload, at the end of the year, in the form of traffic enforcement.

Two new officers were brought on board and we are actively seeking at least one more individual to join our ranks. The department hired Steve Bell as a full time officer. He is primarily working during the daytime, when the other officers are not available. Sergeant Thomas Thibeault, who has worked for the town many years, took a short vacation from the department and has returned to duty. He is going to continue his participation in the local school programs for our children, as in past years.

We are staffing about 14 to 16 hours a day on average with the full time and part time officers.

The following is a list of the type of calls the department responded to:

Abandoned Vehicles	21	Civil Matters	27
Accidents	58	Juvenile Problems	20
Alarms	52	Fire/Rescue Calls	36
Animal Complaints	56	911 Hang-Ups	21
Assist Motorists, Citizens	39	Juvenile Runaways	7
Assaults	4	Wires/Trees Down	22
Assist Other Departments	81	Motor Vehicle Complaints	44
Annoying Phone Calls	7	Suspicious Persons/Cars	78
Burglary	2	Follow-up Investigations	267
Domestic Issues	15	Check the Welfare	4
Criminal Mischief	8	Arrests	29
Criminal Trespass	9	Miscellaneous	471
Criminal Threatening	5	Thefts	18
Reported Disturbances	17	Dog Complaints	30
OHRV Complaints	14	Paperwork Served	48

Respectfully submitted,
Phillip Woodbury
Police Chief

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
ANNUAL REPORT**

BREAKDOWN OF CALLS

DOGS

Missing	1
Strays	7
Missing and Found	6
Nuisance	12

(includes barking, chasing, roaming)

CATS

Missing	4
Strays	3
Missing and Found	3

MISCELLANEOUS 23

(includes concerns for animal's welfare, livestock, wild animal sightings)

In 2003 1 dog and 1 cat were taken to the Monadnock Humane Society in Swanzey.

The 2003 rabies clinic was a success. A rabies clinic will be held again in 2004 and is tentatively scheduled for April. Watch for posters for the actual date and time. State law requires cats to be vaccinated against rabies. Please remember, cats need to be in a carrier and dogs on a leash when attending the clinic. Also bring your animal's current rabies certificate to the clinic.

State law requires all dogs over 3 months old to be licensed by April 30th each year. In addition to the license fee, there is an additional charge to license your dog after June 1st (\$25.00 forfeit fee and \$1.00 per month for each month you are delinquent). Proof of rabies vaccination (a rabies certificate) is required to license your dog. Please make sure you bring the certificate with you when you go to the Town Office to license your pet.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald C. Abbott
Animal Control Officer

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and the Frankestown Zoning Ordinance give the Board of Adjustment the power to do the following: (1) hear appeals from administrative decisions relating to the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance, (2) grant "Special Exceptions under the Ordinance, (3) authorize "Variances" from the terms of the Ordinance, and (4) grant "equitable Waivers" from compliance with the dimensional requirements of the Ordinance. In each case the power of the Board is strictly limited by the terms of the Statutes and the Ordinance. Persons wishing to bring a matter before the Board should examine the Ordinance before filing an application. Copies of the Ordinance, forms for applications, information on filing fees and costs are available at the Town Offices.

For 2003 the Board consisted of Charles M. Pyle, Chairman, Guy Swenson, Vice-Chairman, Carol Ireland, Clerk, Sue Jonas and Josef Nemeth. Abigail Arnold, Lois Leavitt and David Stewart served as alternates. Barbara Martin served as the Minutes Clerk.

During 2002 Board heard only one case, an application for Variance.

Regular meetings of the Board of Adjustment are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month. All meetings are opened to the public.

The Chair thanks all members of the Frankestown Board of Adjustment for their continued diligence in conducting the business of the Board of Adjustment during 2003.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles M. Pyle III
Chairman

FRANCESTOWN PLANNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

APPLICATIONS & HEARINGS

The Planning Board year began with the business that took up a good deal of time over the last two years: site plan review of Crotched Mountain Ski Area. In December of 2003 the Board approved the final site plan for Crotched Mountain ski area.

In 2003 the Board held the following meetings for preliminary consultations:

- Greenfield Road residents, Raisa and Peter Marshall, regarding subdivision options (February)
- Gerrish Road resident, Elizabeth Behrsing, regarding a lot line adjustment (February)
- Amaru Tory Pines/Attorney, Andrew Prolman, regarding previous rulings affecting the property (February)
- New Boston Road resident, Glen Huff, regarding a chiropractor's office in a residence (April)
- Jay and Richard Harvey regarding potential uses of the Tory Pines Resort (July)
- Tory Pines Development Corporation regarding plans to develop time-share units (September)
- And in March an informal consultation at the request of Main Street resident, Veda O'Neil, regarding the Board's role in site plan review of the expansion plans at the library.

At Scenic Road Hearings in 2003, the Planning Board approved cutting of trees on the following scenic roads:

- Oak Hill Road: at the request of Verizon (January)
- 2nd NH Turnpike South: at the request of the Cemetery Commissioners (June)
- All town scenic roads: at the request of PSNH (July)
- Todd Road: at the request of the town (November)

At Public Hearings, the Planning Board approved the following applications:

For Lot Line Adjustment:

- Elizabeth Behrsing, Gerrish Rd. (March)
- H&H Investments and John Demetry, East Road (December)

For modification to previous decisions:

- US Cellular for modification and upgrade of equipment on the existing tower on Crotched Mountain (May)
- Michael Beissang and Robin Masse, Todd Road, for modifications to correct inaccuracies on a previously approved subdivision plan (August)
- Tory Pines for modification to previous site plan approval (December)

For Subdivision & Lease Annexation:

- Crotched Mountain Properties, Inc. for town land to be leased long-term to ski area

For Subdivision:

- James Piro and Thomas McCallum. 2-lot subdivision on Ferson Road (August)
- Stuart Clark- 2-lot subdivision on Poor Farm Road (December)

At this writing, the following applications for subdivision are under consideration:

- Monica Derr: for a 3-lot subdivision on Clarkville Road
- Crotched Mtn. Properties: for a 2-lot subdivision off Onset Road
- H & H Investments: for a 4-lot subdivision on Campbell Hill Road

ELECTIONS & APPOINTMENTS

In March the board elected Sarah Pyle as Chairman and Bob Lindgren as Secretary/Vice Chair, each for a term of one year. Peter Zahn was reelected as chair of the Completeness Review Committee. In May the board appointed Larry Johnson to a 3-year term as alternate member. Robin Samuelson resigned as alternate member and in January, Stuart Brock was appointed to complete her term (expiring 2005).

PLANNING & ZONING

During past last year, the Planning Board completed updates to the town's Site Development Regulations; completed and published a tabulation of the Master Plan questionnaires distributed town-wide in 2002; and prepared scope-of-work reports on the update to the town's Master Plan.

As part of our work on the Master Plan update, the Board is looking at the town's land resources. The board hopes to identify areas of town in which managed growth and creative planning can help preserve the town's character. Town planners have joined the Conservation Commission in its request to have the town tax maps digitized in order to aid us in this effort.

The board continues to work on an Open Space Development ordinance to replace the existing Cluster Option in the town's zoning regulations and hopes to have a proposal before voters at next year's town meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Hibbard Pyle
Chairman

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN SIX YEAR (2004-2009)

The Town's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which was updated in January of 2004, serves three basic functions:

1. First and foremost, the CIP is a valuable planning tool, which should help the Town to anticipate, prioritize, coordinate and manage its capital expenditures.
2. The CIP will provide part of the basis for developing an impact fee system, which will require a developer, under certain circumstances, to offset some of the increased cost to the Town necessitated by his project.
3. The CIP will be essential for the development of any growth management ordinances, if, in the future, the Town should determine growth management to be necessary.

In preparing this year's CIP, the Planning Board set the following objectives:

1. Limit net spending to \$325 – 350,000 in 2004 and annual increases over the life of the plan to 3% or less, in line with projected inflation.
2. Restore a balance in the under-funded highway equipment reserve adequate to meet scheduled purchases through 2009 – using \$100,000 of undesignated fund surplus.
3. Free up funds for other capital reserve appropriations by applying an additional \$100,000 of undesignated fund surplus (without drawing the fund below levels recommended by the state) to completion of the highway garage project and other unanticipated maintenance.

The result is a spending plan, net of withdrawals from capital reserves, of \$322,600 in 2004 compared to actual net spending of \$326,200 last year.

The main difference between the CIP and the actual warrants appears to lie in different assessments of the adequacy of the highway equipment reserves to meet needs over the life of the plan. The majority of Selectmen are of the opinion that replacement costs and needs will be significantly less than those reflected in the plan. Further, they believe that all other reserves, except one for town buildings, are adequately funded for the purposes intended. It is their intention to instead retain approximately \$530,000 of fund surplus to offset the tax rate this fall, as well as in future years.

Specifics of the 2004 CIP as recommended by the Planning Board are listed in Column 2 of Exhibit 1 on the next page. Also included in Exhibit 1 are the warrants as actually proposed by the departments and/or the Selectmen. The Planning Board believes that the success of the CIP depends upon interdepartmental support and cooperation, the formal articulation of town policies and goals and a concerted effort to keep voters fully informed. This summary is provided to assist you in your decision making at Town Meeting. If you would like a copy of the complete plan or have any questions about the plan and how it is prepared, please contact the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,
The Planning Board, The Board of Selectmen, The Budget Committee
January 28, 2004

EXHIBIT 1
1st YEAR OF 2004-2009 CIP COMPARED TO 2004 WARRANT ARTICLES

(1) Expense Item	(2) CIP	(3) Warrant Proposal	(4) Note	(5) Est. Tax Impact
Capital Reserve Items				
Highway Equipment	\$125,000	\$ 50,000	2	\$.27
Fire Equipment	50,000	50,000	2	.27
Fire Radios	500	500	2	-
Conservation Fund	40,000	40,000	2	.22
Recreation Fund	7,000	7,000	2	.04
Road Improv.	100,000	100,000	2	.55
Police Vehicles	17,000	17,000	2	.10
Cemetery	8,000	8,000	2	.04
Town Bldg. Imp.	10,000	35,000	2	.19
Library	10,000	10,000	2	.05
Equip/Projects/Non-Capital Warrants				
Salt Shed	85,000	85,000	2	UFS
Fire Dept. Roof	25,000	25,000	2	UFS
Generator	16,345	16,345	2	.02
2 nd NH Tpk	100,000	100,000	2	R
Library Brick Work	6,000	6,000	2	.03
Town Office Steps	5,200	5,200	2	UFS
Digitized Tax Maps	5,000	5,000	2	.04
Town Office-Air cond.	-	9,000	2	UFS
Cemetery Improv.	15,000	15,000	2	.08
Total 2004 CIP	\$650,045*			
Total 2004 Warrants		\$584,045		\$ 1.91
Total 2003 Warrants		\$558,470		\$ 1.79

Note 1: Estimated Tax Impact per \$1,000 of assessed property valuation is based on actual warrant proposal.
Note 2: In Column 4, a #2 notation indicates that approval of the warrant article is recommended by a majority of the Board of Selectmen and of the Budget Committee.

*Tax impact of recommended CIP is \$1.77

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

There were 40 building permits issued: 12 houses, 2 barns, 9 additions, 4 porches, 1 deck, 3 garages, 2 commercial maintenance buildings, 7 sheds.

There were 1,046 registered voters in town: 393 Republicans, 208 Democrats, 443 Undeclared, 1 Green Party, and 1 DFL.

TPR Development Company became the new owners of Tory Pines in October.

In November, Jason and Jennifer Martel purchased the Francestown Village Store.

Crotched Mountain Ski area re-opened in December. While the buildings are in Bennington, a portion of the trails and lifts are located in Francestown.

Francestown Improvement and Historical Society introduced the *Whittemore Historical Lecture Series*. This program was made possible by a generous donation from the family of Frederick and the late Frances Whittemore. Lectures held included: *National Register of Historic Places* in March, *Sylvester H Roper, Francestown Inventor of the Motorcycle* in May, *They Sawed Up a Storm* in July, and *Barns of Francestown* in November. FIHS sponsored the 86th Labor Day Weekend Celebration. Beatrice Constantineau, 103 years old and a Francestown native, returned to be the Grand Marshall of the parade. The parade theme was *Do It Yourself*. Historical Rooms were open July 19th in conjunction with the memorial tribute to Lt Carl W Peterson, Labor Day, the 2nd Saturday every month, and by appointment.

Oak Hill Grange #32 had 21 members including 6 golden sheaf members (members for 50+ years). The master was Merle Jones. Citizen of the Year Award was presented to BJ Carbee for her work as public assistance administrator and president of FIHS. Virginia Twombly was presented her 50-year pin. Mary Clark, a member for over 50 years passed away March 11, 2003. The Grange catered the reception after the memorial service and participated in the burial. Special programs included: Meet the Candidates Night on February 3rd and the dictionary project. This project is a 5-year commitment to provide a dictionary for every 3rd grader. The dictionary is the child's personal property. In May 2003 they presented dictionaries to 3rd graders in Francestown and Hancock. In December 2003, they presented dictionaries to 3rd graders in Francestown and Hancock. In conjunction with the Antrim Grange who is giving dictionaries to Antrim and Bennington, all students entering Great Brook School over the next 5 years will own their own dictionaries.

The Old Meeting House had 41 annual members and 279 lifetime members. Programs held at OMH included: a violin recital by students of Candy Wharton in the spring, 7th annual *Verdant Visions* in April, Labor Day Vespers and open house (including ice cream sundaes) in September, and Odds Bodkin with *Dark Tales of the Supernatural* in October. Eleven weddings and 3 memorial services were held at OMH during the year. Restoration/renovation projects included the addition of handrails to the front entrance, re-covering pew cushions and weather-stripping windows. OMH continues to search for memorabilia and other items related to the building. After 20 years of loyal service to the OMH, Derald Radtke resigned as president. A "Radtke Recognition Fund" which will be funded by donations, was started in his honor and announced at the annual meeting.

There were 2 churches meeting in town. The Francestown Community Church on Main St, continued its' search for a new minister. The Village Baptist Church, officiated by Pastor Andrew Dean met at the elementary school.

There were 85 students, K-4th grades enrolled in Francestown Elementary School as of October 1st and 17 home schooled students.

New Holland Vineyard School, an alternative educational school serving grades 5 through 8, had an enrollment of 5 students. Students came from Francestown, New Boston, Troy and Peterborough.

There were 2 pre-schools in town. Joyful Tikes, a private school, had an enrollment of 12 students, aged 3-5 years, from the Francestown and Bennington communities. They meet 3 mornings a week. The school has been in operation for 4 years. Francestown Community Pre-school is a co-operative school with an enrollment of 17 3-5 year olds. Students came from Francestown, Bennington, New Boston, Lyndeborough and Antrim.

The Food Co-Op, in its 29th year, met twice a month at the town hall.

The garden club announced a new scholarship of \$500 to a Francestown student who is interested in environmental studies. Sarah Uhl was the first recipient of the scholarship in June.

Pleasant Pond Players presented *Summer Shorts* in September.

Francestown Community Theatre presented *Plaza Suite* in November.

There were 12 Boy Scouts (aged 10-18 years) including 2 Eagle Scouts. There were no Cub Scouts.

Girl Scouts started up again in town in the fall of 2003. There were 5 Daisies (kindergarteners) and 15 Brownies (grades 1-3).

Operation Iraqi Freedom began March 19th, 2003. Many service people have been deployed this year and are denoted with a star after their name. To the best of my knowledge, residents who served in the armed forces were: USAF- Tech Sgt Richard Kiczec, National Guard-Major Tim Ainsworth, Air National Guard- Colonel Sylvia Johnson, US Army Reserve- Sgt Richard Roberts *, US Marine Corps- Staff Sgt Richard Beard*

Francestown mourned the loss of several residents in 2003.

- February 26, 2003- **Barbara J Cowart**, loved music, sang and played many instruments, served the Francestown Community church as organist and choir member, was an active member of FIHS and helped raise funds for this society by making counted cross stitch replicas of people's homes. She was credited for saving the Woodbury Homestead on Main St. She bought the property when it

for saving the Woodbury Homestead on Main St. She bought the property when it was considered by many to be beyond repair and took on a 3-year project of carefully and accurately restoring the house.

- February 27, 2003 - **Deborah L Hancock**, loved teaching, taught at Hancock elementary school from 1987 until her death and also enjoyed traveling and time with her family.
- March 11, 2003 - **Mary J Clark**, was a member of the Oak Hill Grange for 63 years and member of Fracestown Community Church.
- March 20, 2003 - **Judith Ronning Danforth**- active in many town activities, served as Library trustee and OMH trustee, was a guide at the Frank Lloyd Wright House at the Currier in Manchester and a docent at the Currier Museum of Art.
- August 11, 2003 - **John W Jenkins**, a former Fracestown resident, served as selectman for 12 years.
- August 23, 2003 - **Robert J Derr**, enjoyed summers in Fracestown and was interested in preserving open land in NH.
- August 26, 2003 - **Romaine Young Pool**, a past president of the Woman's Guild of the Fracestown Community Church enjoyed quilting, cooking and gardening.
- October 23, 2003 - **Joyce 'Joy' C Larsen**, loved to travel, cook and sing. She sang for Monadnock Chorus 1968-1999 and also with the Oratorio Chorale of Bath and Brunswick Maine, and the Rhode Island Civic Chorale. She was valedictorian of her High School class.
- December 17, 2003 - **Brenda S Parker**, a resident of town for many years, helped draft a master plan for Fracestown. She loved sports, gardening and had an interest in the environment. She was a Mayflower descendant of John Howland.

All will be greatly missed by the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Holmes
Historian

RECREATION COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Residents of all ages were able to participate in a variety of recreational activities with the continued support of volunteers.

Over 60 children participated in one or more of the summer camps, including track and field, soccer, basketball, tennis and skateboarding. Thirty-four (34) children took part in the Red Cross Swim program at Scoby Pond. The Town Beach was improved this year and its Lifeguard Station was replaced by a larger structure for more adequate storage.

Clearing of brush at the recreation fields was done to allow for better visibility between the sports fields and the road. Water lines were installed for minor field maintenance and much needed drinking water. The baseball league continues to flourish under Mark Coutourier and Donna Noonan, serving boys and girls ages 6 to 12.

The tennis and hard court lights were repaired or replaced. A permanent mud volleyball court was installed next to the soccer field and can be flooded to provide safe ice-skating in the winter.

Ongoing adult programs continue to be well attended and include aerobics, yoga and clogging. The Recreation Commission also sponsors events at the Town Hall, such as the Haunted House for Halloween and periodic dances.

These and all other programs and events depend upon the continued support of the community. The Commission wishes to thank all those citizens who have helped out in the past, and invites all who would like to become a supporter to please do so. Recreation meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 7 P.M.

Some things to look for and help with in 2004:

- a playground at the recreation lands
- family softball

New ideas are enthusiastically welcomed, as we encourage you to get involved.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrej Kokal, *Outgoing Chairman*

Robert Rokes, *Chairman*

Pam Delahanty, *Outgoing Athletic Director*

Doug Langlois, *Athletic Director*

CEMETERY COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Cemetery #3-NW was completed in the fall. The Miller Brothers did an excellent job, including the restoration of two stonewalls abutting the new section. The Commissioners requested the balance of money voted on for this project to be rolled-over into 2004, to be applied towards expenses of maps designating burial lots and plantings. The Selectmen were in agreement.

Our cemeteries are in serious need of refurbishing. Therefore, our budget for the ensuing year will show an increase. Our ultimate plan is to bring maintenance and repair of the cemeteries to a reasonable and realistic cost.

Regretfully, the decision was made to remove the crypt, as it was in need of too much repair, and at too great a cost. The large slate door and its hinges have been saved. Any suggestions as to how we can exhibit them in a unique manner are welcomed.

We are well aware of the need to replace the chain link fencing at #3 cemetery, which has been a long-standing issue discussed at Town meeting, with poor results. A great deal of time was spent researching alternatives. Discussion will be presented at Town meeting.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to Martha Eisenberg and Sara Cox, for their many hours of hard work cleaning out scruff, pruning shrubbery and planting donated bulbs. And let us not forget Dan Cyr and his magic wand!

We had a busy year and are pleased with what was accomplished. We hope our town is in accordance. Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Wiederhold

Linda Kelly

Ethel MacStubbs

Cemetery Commissioners

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Francestown on December 31, 2003

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				Total Trust Fund End of Year	
					Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Securities (Withdrawals)	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	INCOME DURING YEAR			Balance End Year
										Percent	Amount		
CEMETERY FUNDS:													
	CEMETERY FUNDS	CEMETERY CARE	Common Trust		\$34,853.20	\$200.00	\$1,966.24	\$37,019.44	\$6,969.20		\$174.41	\$7,143.71	\$44,163.15
LIBRARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS:													
	LIBRARY & EDUCATION FUNDS	LIB & ED	Common Trust		\$5,107.46		\$372.02	\$5,479.48	\$8,728.99		\$49.60	8,778.59	\$14,258.07
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													
1955	REPLACEMENT OF FIRE TRUCKS	CAPITAL RESERVE			136,010.76	50,000.00	5,789.64	191,800.40	25,259.65		2,096.39	27,356.04	219,156.44
1960	PURCHASE OF ROAD EQUIPMENT	CAPITAL RESERVE			47,095.10		2,952.97	43,248.07	35,159.75		1,069.23	36,228.98	79,477.05
1958	IMPROVEMENT OF CEMETERY	CAPITAL RESERVE			27,593.34	100.00	1,567.65	13,314.56	16,073.57		567.64	(16,073.57)	13,902.20
1968	FIRE DEPARTMENT RADIOS	CAPITAL RESERVE			6,914.69	500.00	338.27	7,752.96	2,507.71		172.48	2,650.19	10,383.15
1975	REPLACEMENT OF POLICE CRUISER	CAPITAL RESERVE			17,007.63	20,000.00	835.48	14,571.11	6,264.52		302.51	17,898.28	25,311.24
1976	FUTURE LIBRARY BUILDING	CAPITAL RESERVE			45,196.90	10,000.00	2,236.06	57,432.96	17,088.64		809.64	(31,722.99)	3,666.99
1986	REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	CAPITAL RESERVE			22,303.83		1,419.27	20,570.01	17,229.99		513.90	18,030.40	68,620.89
1990	PURCHASE OF RECREATION LANDS	CAPITAL RESERVE			57,707.37		2,684.13	51,923.39	17,558.92		971.88	13,170.46	65,093.85
1994	TOWN BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE			49,695.45		2,227.94	51,923.39	12,363.75		806.71	35,163.24	138,518.67
1994	TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE			98,614.41		4,741.02	103,355.43	33,446.58		1,716.66	68.39	5,513.41
1996	HIGHWAY BUILDING	CAPITAL RESERVE			5,258.25		188.77	5,447.02			68.39	\$158,194.95	\$700,804.03
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				\$513,977.73	\$80,600.00	\$24,981.20	\$542,609.08	\$182,453.08		\$9,045.43	(\$33,030.56)	

MARRIAGES REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF MARRIAGE
MOORE, WILLIAM J	FRANCESTOWN, NH	DANIS, DANIELLE A.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	CANDIA, NH	02/15/03
ALSBERG, ROBERT A	FRANCESTOWN, NH	LANOUE, DANIELLE R.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	03/22/03
BLOMBERG, RONALD A	NEEDHAM, MA	ANNE L. CLARK	AMHERST, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	03/15/03
CHRISTGAU, BENJAMIN M	CAROL STREAM, IL	JUNIPER L. QUIGLEY	CAROL STREAM, IL	FRANCESTOWN, NH	05/31/03
AGUDELO, CARLOS H	FRANCESTOWN, NH	VADNEY, JENNIFER A	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	06/21/03
GRAHAM, ANDREW A	FRANCESTOWN, NH	WEISMAN, HILARY A	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	06/28/03
GILMAN, DOUGLAS W	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MORRISROE, LARA K	FRANCESTOWN, NH	GORHAM, NH	07/19/03
TITUS, WAYNE E	FRANCESTOWN, NH	JOHNSON, TRACIE L	FRANCESTOWN, NH	HENNIKER, NH	08/09/03
HOLDREDGE, KEVIN M	FRANCESTOWN, NH	DAVISON, ELIZABETH A	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER, NH	08/16/03
LINDER, BYRON C	NASHUA, NH	VORPE, EMILY A	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MILFORD, NH	08/24/03
EDER-LINELL, AARON M	FRANCESTOWN, NH	BURKE, REBECCA L	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER, NH	09/06/03
LOGGANS, DONALD B	FRANCESTOWN, NH	ERRIGO, MARY F	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	01/02/03
CARVER, JESSE E	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GELINAS, TARA L	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER, NH	11/29/03
TUCKER, JOHN J	FRANCESTOWN, NH	GEMMITI, MIA ANNE	FRANCESTOWN, NH	BEDFORD, NH	12/29/03
KULLGREN, DAVID W	FRANCESTOWN, NH	NICOLE C. HODGINS	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	12/31/03

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

BIRTH'S REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

CHILD'S NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
SOARES, SOPHIA HOPE	01/03/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	SOARES, MARC	SOARES, SUSAN
DISHONG, ELLA MARY	01/23/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	DISHONG, EDWARD	DISHONG, MELISSA
GIZA, STEPHEN MICHAEL	03/13/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	GIZA, JOSEPH	GIZA, JAIME
DEANS, CADEN DAVID	03/22/03	MANCHESTER, NH	DEANS, JAMIE	DEANS, JESSICA
CROOKER, ROSEMARY JO LUNETTA	05/07/03	FRANCESTOWN, NH	CROOKER, DONALD	LUNETTA, CELESTE
WICKLOW, MAIREAD MCKINLAY	06/24/03	FRANCESTOWN, NH	WICKLOW, BARRY	WICKLOW, LOIS
LACROIX, LEO MATTHEW	07/05/03	MANCHESTER, NH	LACROIX, JOHN	LACROIX, ELIZABETH
GEBERT, HANS PETER	08/19/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	GEBERT, KARSTEN	GEBERT, LAURIE
DREHER, ABRAHAM BAKEWELL	09/17/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	DREHER, STEPHEN	DREHER, TONYA
MOMENEE, RILEY JOSEPH	09/27/03	KEENE, NH	MOMENEE, MARK	MOMENEE, TABITHA
CLARK, EMILY AMBER	010/08/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	CLARK, ANTHONY	CLARK, CAROLYN
MAGOON, HANNAH ELIZABETH	11/26/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	MAGOON, BRIAN	MAGOON, JENNIFER
THOMPSON, GRAFTON FINNEY	12/06/03	MANCHESTER, NH	THOMPSON, DUBOIS	THOMPSON, AMY

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003

DECEDENT'S NAME	DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME MAIDEN NAME	MOTHER'S
LORANGER, PAUL N	02/16/03	MANCHESTER, NH	LORANGER, ROGER	GADBOIS, ALICE
COWART, BARBARA J	02/26/03	FRANCESTOWN, NH	JOHNSON, WESTBROOK	BUSS, MARGARET
HANCOCK, DEBORAH L.	02/28/03	FRANCESTOWN, NH	HANCOCK, JIM	MACULLAR, BARBARA
CLARK, MARY J	03/11/03	MANCHESTER, NH	MURDOUGH, WARREN	AVERY, REBECCA
DANFORTH, JUDITH R	03/20/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	RONNING, JACOB	PETERSEN, CLARA MAE
WHITE, JOHN WALLACE	06/15/03	FRANCESTOWN, NH	WHITE, WALLACE B	O'BRIEN, RUTH CAROLYN
POOL, ROMAINE Y	08/26/03	FRANCESTOWN, NH	YOUNG, WILLIAM L	MILLER, ANNA M
ANDRUSKE, GEORGE J	09/06/03	NEW BOSTON, NH	ANDRUSKE, NICOLAS	PLAUCCA, MARY
LARSEN, JOYCE C	010/23/03	PETERBOROUGH, NH	YELLAND, JOHN	HARNEY, MARGARET

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

**TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, NH
March 11, 2003**

Meeting opened by Town Moderator Paul H. Lawrence at 10:00 AM and polls were declared opened.

Moderator read Warrant Article 1 and announced that the second session would be at the Town Hall, March 15, 2003 at 10:00 AM.

**You are hereby notified to meet at the "Red School" in said
Francestown on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at 10:00 o'clock in
the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on
Article 1 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on
said date at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 7:00
o'clock in the evening.**

Total vote Town Officers Ballot	
Regular Ballots	Absentee Ballots
-	25

Total vote School Ballot	
Regular Ballots	Absentee Ballots
-	18

Total number of voters on checklist end of day 1,036

Article 1.
To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
(By Official Ballot)

OFFICE
For Moderator for Two Years
Vote for One
Paul H. Lawrence 417
Write-in Carl Hardwick 1, Phillip Ireland 1.

For Selectmen for Three Years
Vote for One
Stephen B. Griffin 232
Write-ins Abigail Arnold 40, Betsy Hardwick 9, Carl Hardwick, Jr. 132

For Library Trustee for Three Years

Vote for One	
"Judy" Danforth	235
Nancy Rossi	17
Elizabeth P. Wiederhold	159

For Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years

Vote for One

Write-in David Avery 52, Abigail Arnold 2, Laurie Barr 1, Barbara J. Carbee 1, George Cilley, Jr. 1, Stuart Clark 1, Herbert Fincher 1, Roger Hall 1, Carl Hardwick 1, Carol Ireland 1, David Jonas 3, Linda Kelly 1, Hobart Kiblin 1, Walter Kiblin 1, Kevin Micalizzi 1, Greg Neilley 1, Charles Pyle 1, Nancy Rossi 1, David Stewart 1, O. Alan Thulander 1, Harold Varnum 1, George Whipple 1, Betsy Wiederhold 1, Louis Wiederhold 3, Randall Wheeler 2, Doby Thompson 2.

For Public Assistance Administrator for One Year

Vote for One

Barbara J. Carbee	376
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Write-in Susan Connard 1, Lori Hardwick 1, Hobart Kiblin 1, Gary Paige 1, Mark Pitman 1, Nancy Rossi 1, Alan Thulander 1, Connie Varnum 1.

For Cemetery Commission for Three Years

Vote for One

Linda J. Kelly	388
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Write-in Robert Ames 1, Ben Moeller 1, Ethel MacStubbs 1, Elizabeth Wiederhold 1, Judy Wright 1.

For Cemetery Commission for Two Years

Vote for One

Elizabeth P. Wiederhold	369
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Write-ins Ronald Baptiste 1, Judy Danforth 1, Steve Griffin 1, Nancy Lundgren 1, Kevin Micalizzi 1, Elizabeth Tolman 1.

For Planning Board for Three Years

Vote for not more than two

Lisa Stewart	361
Peter Zahn	349

Write-in Abigail Arnold 1, Barbara J. Carbee 1, Susan Connard 1, Sue Kelly 1, Hobart Kiblin 1, John Paige 1, Nancy Rice 1, Kris Stewart 1, Elizabeth Tolman 1,

For Fire Ward for One Year

Vote for not more than five

Donald C. Abbott	397
Brian Delahanty	382

David W. Kullgren	378
Richard F. Leavitt	376
Alvin L. Van Cleave	370
Write-ins Gary Paige 1, Lawrence Kullgren 1, Richard Pierson 3, Randall Wheeler 1,	

Conval School District Officer for Moderator For Three Years Vote for one Peter Hopkins	378
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Contoocook Valley School District
 March 11, 2003
 Results of School District Ballot

See following page for results:

SCHOOL ELECTION
MARCH 11, 2003

1025 NAMES ON CHECK LIST
START OF DAY - 11 NEW
VOTERS REGISTERED TODAY
TOTAL ON CHECK LIST 1036

1. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District appoint the salaries of the School Board and ~~the~~ the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District as follows: School Board Chair, \$700; each member, \$500; Treasurer, \$2,000; Moderator, \$100; School Board Clerk, \$70 per meeting?

YES ☐ NO ☐
252 145

2. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District accept the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, and Officers chosen?

YES ☐ NO ☐
352 56

3. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District raise and appropriate as a gross operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$35,934,418? Should this article be defeated, the gross operating budget shall be \$35,959,047 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Contoocook Valley School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

YES ☐ NO ☐
288 113

4. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1.) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$200,000 to be added to the Elementary Schools Building Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of the Elementary Schools Building Project; and 2.) authorize the transfer of that amount from June 30, 2003 fund balance for this purpose? (This amount is equivalent to the interest earned on bond proceeds transferred to the general fund on or before June 30, 2003.) (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

YES ☐ NO ☐
258 149

5. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1.) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$50,000 to be added to the Elementary Schools Building Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of the Elementary Schools Building Project, and 2.) authorize such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2003? (This amount represents up to \$50,000 from the June 30, 2003 general fund surplus.) (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

YES ☐ NO ☐
255 148

6. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District change the purpose of an existing Elementary School Building Capital Reserve fund to the Contoocook Valley School District Building Capital Reserve Fund? (Requires 2/3 Vote) (The ConVal School Board RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

YES ☐ NO ☐
256 147

7. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1.) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$50,000 to be added to the Special Education Trust Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 198:20, and 2.) authorize the transfer of an amount not to exceed said amount of \$50,000 from the June 30, 2003 undesignated fund balance to the trust fund? (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

YES ☐ NO ☐
258 146

8. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,000 for the purpose of continuing the fields project at ConVal High School? (The ConVal School Board RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

YES ☐ NO ☐
240 166

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you are hereby notified the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, the Fifteenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, at which time the town will act on the following subjects.

Resolution

Be it resolved that the citizens of Francestown extend their thanks and appreciation to O. Alan Thulander for his 16 years as Selectman, 12 years as Director of Emergency Management, and 10 years as a member of the Cemetery Commission, and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Thulander by the Town Clerk.

Resolution

Be it resolved that the citizens of Francestown extend their thanks and appreciation to Sgt. Thomas J. Thibeault for his 15 years of service as a member of the Francestown Police Department, and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Thibeault by the Town Clerk.

Article 2.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN
OF FRANCESTOWN**

Appropriations and Estimate of Revenue for the ensuing year January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003.

February 6, 2003

Paul A. St.Cyr, Chairman	Selectmen
Steve D. Brown	of
Elizabeth M. Behrsing	Francestown

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS

(RSA 31:4)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	48,974
Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	29,500
Financial Administration	29,037
Revaluation of Property	5,050
Legal Expense	7,500
Personnel Administration	105,238
Planning & Zoning	18,473
General Government Buildings	34,709
Cemeteries	18,333
Insurance	30,000
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	1,050

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	111,864
Ambulance	1,000
Fire	35,150
Building Inspection	2,000
Emergency Management	800

HIGHWAY & STREETS

Administration	69,000
Highways & Streets	232,385
Bridges	10,000
Street Lighting	3,500
Gravel	20,000
Reseal/Patch	63,000

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	136,519
Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other	2,300

HEALTH

Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	3,511
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WELFARE

Administration & Direct Assist.	10,525
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CULTURE & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation	30,375
Library	54,685

CONSERVATION

Admin. & Purch. Of Nat. Resources	1,700
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DEBT SERVICE

Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	2,500
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TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,118,678
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Motion made by Scott Carbee to amend line item 4312, Highway & Streets to increase by \$16,800. from \$232,385 to \$249,185.

Seconded by Peter Bixby.

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS

(RSA 31:4)

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CONSERVATION	
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DEBT SERVICE	
Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	2,500
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$1,135,478</u>
Motion to amend line item 4312 Highway & Streets not carried.	

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS

(RSA 31:4)

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DEBT SERVICE

Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	2,500
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TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET

\$1,118,678

Article 2 as written, Total Operating Budget \$1,118,678.00, Carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr., to restrict reconsideration of Total Operating Budget as written.

Seconded by Demetria McKaig

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 2 carried.

Article 3.

Motion made by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$80,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$50,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	0.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	20,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	0.00

Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	0.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	0.00
Future Town Road Improvements	0.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	0.00
Future Library Building	10,000.00
or take any other action relating thereto;	
Seconded by Stephen Griffin.	

Motion made by Elizabeth Wiederhold to increase Future Improvement of Cemetery by \$10,000.00, from \$0.00 to \$10,000.00.
Seconded by Charles O'Neill.

Motion made by Elizabeth Wiederhold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$90,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$50,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	0.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	20,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	0.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	0.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	0.00
Future Town Road Improvements	0.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	10,000.00
Future Library Building	10,000.00

Seconded by Charles O'Neill.

Motion to amend Article 3 not carried.

Motion made by Charles O'Neill to decrease Future Library Bldg. \$10,000.00, from \$10,000.00 to \$0.00.

Seconded by Elizabeth Wiederhold.

Motion made Charles O'Neill to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$70,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$50,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	0.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	20,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	0.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	0.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	0.00
Future Town Road Improvements	0.00

Future Improvement of Cemetery 0.00
Future Library Building 0.00
Seconded by Elizabeth Wiederhold.
Motion to amend Article 3 not carried.

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Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	20,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	0.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	0.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	0.00
Future Town Road Improvements	0.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	0.00
Future Library Building	10,000.00

or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Stephen Griffin.

Article 3 as written Carried.

Article 4.

Motion by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to purchase and install 2 air conditioning units in the administrative offices of the Town Office Building (Red School), such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Lori Ricci

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to amend Article 4 to increase the sum by Two Hundred Fifty Dollars, from \$9,000.00 to \$9,250.00.

Seconded by Isabella Hill

Motion to amend Article 4, not carried

Motion made by David Jonas to amend Article 4 to reduce the amount down to \$1,500.00 as opposed to \$9,000.00.

Seconded by Lawrence Barr.

Motion to amend Article 4 not carried.

Motion by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to purchase and install 2 air conditioning units in the administrative offices of the Town Office Building (Red

School), such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Lori Ricci

Article 4 as written not carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 4.

Seconded by Barbara J. Carbee

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 4 carried.

Article 5.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for the replacement of a 6 wheel dump truck and a 4 wheel-drive vehicle, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of Road Equipment", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Gary Paige.

Article 5 carried.

Article 6.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$275,000.00) to complete the construction of the new highway garage and fire suppression pond, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance and One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) to raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to amend Article 6 to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$275,000.00) to complete the construction of the new highway garage and fire suppression pond, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance and One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr.

Motion to amend Article 6 carried.

Article 6 as amended carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 6 as amended.

Seconded by Elizabeth Wiederhold.

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 6 carried.

Article 7.

Motion made by Steve Brown to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to repair and/or replace the lights at the tennis courts, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of Recreation Lands and Recreation Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Stephen Griffin.

Article 7 carried.

Article 8.

Motion made by Steve Brown to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to construct a swimming platform and shed at the Town beach, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of Recreation Lands and Recreation Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by James Nealand.

Article 8 carried.

Article 9.

Motion made by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000.00) for the purchase and fit-up of a 2003 Police sedan, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Replacement of Police Cruiser", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Steve Brown.

Motion made by Paul St. Cyr to amend to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Forty Dollars (\$26,540.00) for the purchase and fit-up of a 2003 Police sedan, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Twenty Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Two Dollars (\$23,272.00) from Capital Reserve account entitled "Replacement of Police Cruiser" and Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$3,268.00) to be raised through taxation.

Seconded by Elizabeth Wiederhold.

Motion to amend Article 9 carried.

Article 9 as amended carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 9 as amended.

Seconded by Abigail Arnold.

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 9 as amended carried.

Article 10.

Motion made by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$7,950.00) to repair the rust on 37M-1 (1st line pumper), such sum to be funded by a gift of Four Thousand Dollars (4,000.00) from the Mount Crotchet Firefighters Association and the balance of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (3,950.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Lawrence Kullgren.

Motion made by Louis Wiederhold to see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$7,950.00) from the Frankestown Volunteer Fire Department to repair the rust on 37M-1 (1st line pumper), or take any other action relating thereto.

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Motion to amend Article 10 carried.

Article 10 as amended carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 10 as amended.

Seconded by Charles O'Neill.

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 10 as amended carried.

Article 11.

Motion made by Donald Abbott to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-eight Dollars (\$6,248.00) to replace 10 outdated SCBA air tanks, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by David Kullgren.

Article 11 carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 11.

Seconded by Steve Brown.

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 11 carried.

Article 12.

Motion made by Donald Abbott to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand One Hundred Eighty Five Dollars (\$10,185.00) to purchase 3 new SCBA air packs, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by David Kullgren.

Article 12 carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert to restrict reconsideration of Article 12.

Seconded by Barbara J. Carbee.

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 12 carried.

Article 13.

Motion made by Richard Cilley to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36-A-5, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Article 13 carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 13.

Seconded by Demetria McKaig.

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 13 carried.

Article 14.

Motion made by Steve Brown to see if the Town will vote to annex a 45 to 50 acre portion of the 193 acre town-owned parcel of land known as Tax Map 7 Lot 3-1 and the 1.4 acre lot purchased by the Conservation Commission in 2002 known as Tax Map 4 Lot 3 to the 1 acre Town Forest located on the top of Crotched Mountain (the old fire tower site), or take any other action thereto;

Seconded by Richard Cilley.

Article 14 carried.

Article 15.

Motion made by Peter Bixby to see if the Town will vote to convey an Executory Interest to the State of New Hampshire through LCHIP authority on any property purchased by the town using LCHIP funds, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Barbara J. Carbee

Motion made by Betsy Hardwick to amend Article 15 to see if the Town will vote to convey an Executory Interest to the State of New Hampshire through LCHIP authority on any property (or any interest in property) purchased by the Town using LCHIP funds or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Peter Bixby.

Motion to amend Article 15 carried

Article 15 as amended carried.

Article 16.

Motion made by Barbara J. Carbee to see if the Town will vote to allow a conservation easement for the purpose of protecting open space to be placed on town-owned parcels of land to include portions only of (Map 7 Lot 3-1), (Map 7 Lot 6) (formerly part of the ski area land), and to include all town owned lots (Map 8 Lot 76) and (Map 8 Lot 71) located off County Rd. North, with provisions on the former ski area parcels (Map 7 Lot3-1 and Map 7 Lot 6) to allow for future development as a commercial ski area and passive recreational use, allowing the

Conservation Commission discretion with the wording and holder of the easement subject to approval of a majority of the selectmen, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by James Nealand.

Article 16 carried.

Article 17.

Motion made by Richard Cilley to see if the Town will vote to change the current designation of the portion of Driscoll Hill Road beginning at Birdsall Road and ending where it intersects at Old Highway Road as depicted on tax assessor Map 2 from a class six road to be reclassified as a class A trail as allowed by RSA 231-A: 1, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Steve Brown.

Article 17 by a standing vote of yes 60, no 58 carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 17.

Seconded by Demetria McKaig.

Motion to restrict reconsideration Article 17 carried.

Article 18.

Motion made by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy -Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) to upgrade the sidewalks to be installed by the State of NH during the "Main Street Reconstruction" project from black top (at no additional cost) to concrete pavers or brick, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Peter Bixby.

Article 18 not carried.

Motion made by Steve Brown to restrict reconsideration of Article 18.

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 18 carried.

Article 19.

Motion made by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease 31+/- acres (Map 7, Lot 6) to Crotched Mountain Properties, LLC., for the purpose of installing 2 summit ski towers and providing interconnecting ski trails per the Lease Agreement.

Seconded by Steve Brown.

Article 19 carried.

Article 20.

Motion made by Elizabeth Wiederhold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$66,668.00) to pay for the grading and filling of the southern addition of

Cemetery #3, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Forty Two Thousand, One Hundred Dollars (\$42,100.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Improvement of Cemetery", and Twenty Four Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$24,568.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Scott Carbee

Motion made by Linda Kelly to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) to pay for the grading and filling of the western addition of Cemetery #3, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Thirty Two Thousand Dollars (\$32,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Improvement of Cemetery", and Thirteen Thousand Dollars (13,000.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by James Nealand.
Motion to amend Article 20 carried.
Article 20 as amended carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 20.
Seconded by Demetria McKaig.
Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 20 carried.

Article 21.

Motion made by Steve Brown to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) to excavate and install a fire pond on Todd Road for on-site fire suppression and to have water under electrical pump pressure for the Town Transfer Station, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Scott Carbee.
Article 21 carried.

Motion made by Charles Eggert, Jr. to restrict reconsideration of Article 21.
Seconded by Demetria McKaig.
Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 21 carried.

Article 22. (By Petition)

Motion made by Elizabeth Wiederhold to see if the Town will direct the Library Trustees to schedule, with adequate public notice, at least three public meetings providing detailed information concerning any and all plans for construction of a second Library Building or expansion of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library. Such meetings are to be held prior to December 31, 2003.

To further direct the Library Trustees to make sincere and conscientious efforts to consider viable alternative sites for any additional Library building and, for each

site considered, present their findings and recommendations concerning its advantages and disadvantages for a Library construction project.

To further direct the Library Trustees to include in their initial public meeting a comprehensive and detailed review of their “mission statement” or vision for the Library. This mission statement is to include discussion of anticipated future uses of the Library as they may affect space requirements.

Public meetings are also to include presentation of:

1. Detailed reports on the median and average number of books and periodicals borrowed by Town residents and projections for changes in volume in the future.
2. A review of social and other activities sponsored or promoted by the Library and a discussion of any contemplated plans for the use of Library facilities for such purposes in the future.
3. An evaluation of other public facilities in Francestown for use for functions and activities not directly related to the lending of books and periodicals.
4. Projected construction, maintenance, staffing and other costs of any building project, whether to paid by the Town or otherwise.
5. Comparison of the size of any proposed building with all other Town – owned buildings and with private buildings in the Village District, and with the public Libraries of other towns of comparable population in Hillsborough County.
6. For any contemplated construction project, the amount of space to be allocated to (1) the display of books and periodicals for Library patrons; (2) computers for the use of Library patrons; (3) storage; (4) reading; (5) offices and/or workspace for Library employees; (6) social activities and events; (7) unspecified future use.
7. Availability of parking for Library patrons on any sites considered for a new Library building.

Seconded by Charles O’Neill.

Motion made by Charles O’Neill to amend Article 22 to see if it is the sense of the Town that the Library Trustees should schedule with adequate public notice, at least three public meetings providing detailed information concerning any and all plans for construction of a second Library Building or expansion of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library. Such meetings are to be held prior to December 31, 2003.

To further request the Library Trustees to make sincere and conscientious efforts to consider viable alternative sites for any additional Library building and, for each site considered, present their findings and recommendations concerning its advantages and disadvantages for a Library construction project.

To further request the Library Trustees to include in their initial public meeting a comprehensive and detailed review of their “mission statement” or vision for the

Library. This mission statement is requested to include discussion of anticipated future uses of the Library as they may affect space requirements.

Public meetings are also requested to include presentation of:

8. Detailed reports on the median and average number of books and periodicals borrowed by Town residents and projections for changes in volume in the future.
9. A review of social and other activities sponsored or promoted by the Library and a discussion of any contemplated plans for the use of Library facilities for such purposes in the future.
10. An evaluation of other public facilities in Francestown for use for functions and activities not directly related to the lending of books and periodicals.
11. Projected construction, maintenance, staffing and other costs of any building project, whether to paid by the Town or otherwise.
12. Comparison of the size of any proposed building with all other Town – owned buildings and with private buildings in the Village District, and with the public Libraries of other towns of comparable population in Hillsborough County.
13. For any contemplated construction project, the amount of space to be allocated to (1) the display of books and periodicals for Library patrons; (2) computers for the use of Library patrons; (3) storage; (4) reading; (5) offices and/or workspace for Library employees; (6) social activities and events; (7) unspecified future use.
14. Availability of parking for Library patrons on any sites considered for a new Library building.

Seconded by Elizabeth Wiederhold.

Motion to amend Article 22 carried.

Article 22 as amended with a standing vote of yes 57, no 56 carried.

Article 23. (By Petition)

Motion made by Eldon Munson to see if the Town will direct its Selectmen to apply for grant and/or other monies to pay for the restoration and refurbishing of our historic Town Hall.

Seconded by Stephen Griffin.

Article 23 not carried.

Article 24. (By Petition)

Motion made by Peter Bixby to see if the Town will direct its Selectmen to pursue the objectives of the Town Common Project to reduce the amount of paved areas, increase the amount of green areas, and remove or relocate the overhead utility wires in the Francestown Town Common.

Seconded by Sirkka Holm.

Article 24 not carried.

Article 25. (By Petition)

Motion made by Scott Carbee Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and

Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small businesses cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Francess town, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un-and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

Seconded by Demetria McKaig

Article 25 carried.

Article 26.

Motion made by Peter Bixby to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting;

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Motion made by Lawrence Barr to thank Betty Behrsing for her help as a Selectwoman.

Seconded by Peter Bixby.

Motion Carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 P. M..

A true copy of record – Attest

Elaine T. McClary,
Town Clerk



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Town Clerk
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